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BOOT IT UP--Linda Verdui (right), an engineering specialist with Weyerhaeuser Corp., helps to demonstrate a personal computer donated by Weyerhaeuser to Grayling Mercy Hospital to Marlene Lippard, a volunteer with the Grayling Mercy Hospital Auxiliary.

New commander appointed to take charge at Camp Grayling

The Adjutant General of the Michigan National Guard has announced the appointment of Colonel Owen W. Moon as the next commander of Camp Grayling Army and Air National Guard Training Site.

Returning from an overseas assignment in mid-February, Moon will assume the duties performed by Col. Wayne Koppa since the fall of 1989.

Commissioned as a second lieutenant in 1965, Moon was promoted to full colonel in 1987. His civilian education includes a bachelor's degree in political science from Western Michigan University, and master's degrees in public administration and in labor and industrial relations from Michigan State University. From the University of Notre Dame, he earned a Juris Doctorate in 1972. Moon's military

education includes graduation from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and the Army War College.

In his last assignment, Moon worked as personnel officer with responsibility for the entire full-time work force of the Michigan Army and Air National Guard.

Currently a Lansing area resident, Moon's family includes his wife, Maria, who is a lieutenant colonel in the Michigan Guard; a daughter, Monica, who attends the University of Michigan; and a son, Morgan, enrolled as a senior at Okemos High School.

"In today's shrinking military, it is extremely difficult to keep a work force at full strength," said Major General E. Gordon Stump, adjutant general of the Michigan National Guard. "No one knows the full-time



Colonel Owen W. Moon

strength business better than Col. Moon, making him the ideal leader to help keep jobs at Grayling, and maintain the high degree of professionalism exhibited by the Camp's work force."

Local DNR official reports illegal deer kill increasing

Controversy over baiting continues to be focal point of problem with violations

By Terry Wright
Staff Writer

Wild game law violations, especially the illegal killing of deer, are on the increase in Crawford County, according to Conservation Officer Mark Lutz of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) field office in Grayling.

Lutz attributes the increase, in part, to the practice of baiting. He said some would-be hunters are using tons of bait to lure deer into their backyards where they stand little chance of

escaping a violator's gun.

"Deer have become nocturnal," Lutz said. "They're not grazing during the day anymore. They just wait until night and go straight to the bait pile where they can get all the food they want."

Despite the easy availability of bait for deer, Lutz said he does not think baiting is making the deer herd healthier than normal, because baiting is not continued year round. He said deer who abandon natural grazing habits to feed on easily accessible bait could be in for tougher times when the

bait is gone and a long, cold winter has set in.

Lutz said violators who shoot deer over a bait pile behind their cabins are harder to catch than those who used to have to wait until deer with artificial lights.

"It's made poaching too easy," Lutz said. "Not only is it easier to shoot deer out of season, it's easier for people to fill multiple licenses in season."

Hunting with bait became legal in Michigan several years ago, creating an ongoing controversy between hunters who have said it makes hunting

safer, and those who say it has taken the sportsmanship out of the sport.

Today, the practice of baiting is common, and has led to a multi-million dollar industry of farmers providing hundreds of thousands of tons of sugar beets, carrots, apples and other vegetables annually to Michigan hunters.

Lutz said, "I'm in favor of outlawing baiting. It also causes turf wars between hunters."

He said potentially dangerous disputes between the hunter who places

bait on public lands and others who hunt near it are common.

"We've had people beaten up for hunting over someone else's bait pile," Lutz said. "It's gotten out of hand."

He said poaching with bait has become such a large problem it's having an effect on the local deer population which has caused legal hunters to complain about it. The complaints have attracted the attention of MDNR administrators in Lansing.

"They're going to address baiting this year," Lutz said, "but I don't know

what they're going to do."

Lutz also said there is a problem with deer being sold in areas downstate.

"There are a few deer being sold locally but mostly they're being transported downstate to be sold," Lutz said. "Selling venison is a felony."

Under Michigan game laws, the illegal kill or possession of a deer carries a \$200 to \$1,000 fine and five to 90 days in jail, and three to four year revocation of all hunting privileges, plus a minimum \$1,000 restitution per animal.

Local officials sponsor bill to help stop vandalism

Individuals creating a safety hazard by damaging or destroying a school bus would face felony penalties under legislation sponsored in the Michigan House by state Rep. Allen Lowe, R-Grayling.

"Such vandalism endangers lives and cannot be tolerated," Lowe said. "What starts as a prank may become a tragedy. Tampering also saddles school districts with costly repairs and interruptions in service."

Under House Bill 5304, anyone convicted could face a maximum of five years imprisonment and a \$2,500 fine.

David R. Sabin, assistant prosecuting attorney for Crawford County, urged Lowe to introduce the bill after an incident at Grayling High School last November. Two Grayling High students were convicted in January of damaging the brake lines and flattening the tires of 10 vehicles in the Crawford-AuSable Schools' bus garage.

The episode closed classes for a day and resulted in more than \$2,500 in damages. Sabin said the young men were expelled from school and ordered to perform 250 hours of community

service while on circuit court probation.

"The legislation provides the public, through its law enforcement agencies, a much more realistic response to the problem," Sabin said. "Certainly the potential catastrophe of a vandalized school bus warrants the same type of sanctions as that of a crime being committed with a firearm."

Lowe, a member of the House Judiciary Committee, agrees with Sabin that the law should be changed to reflect the possible harm of such action.

"Because of Dave's efforts, lawmakers throughout Michigan will learn more about this problem. I hope this legislation will raise awareness and result in more appropriate penalties."

"While there were no fatalities in the Grayling case, it serves as a warning. It's crucial that we deter others from this deplorable conduct. Considering the consequences of bus tampering, we must send a message that such behavior is unacceptable and violators will be dealt with harshly," Lowe concluded.

Grayling Winterfest rapidly approaching

The Grayling Winterfest and the Winter Wolf Challenge are scheduled for Thursday through Sunday, Feb. 17-20.

This year's Winterfest marks the 69th consecutive year that Grayling has

celebrated, making the local festivities the longest continuous winter celebration in Michigan and one of the longest in the nation.

The fun begins on Thursday with a "kick off" dinner at the Grayling

Holiday Inn. On Friday, Chief Shopenagons Motor Hotel is sponsoring a Winterfest teen dance for kids ages 14-18.

On Saturday, the first of the three legs of the Winter Wolf Challenge

will feature those hearty enough to paddle in a kayak race on the icy waters of the AuSable River.

The Grayling Junior Miss Pageant will be held Saturday night at the Joseph Stripe Auditorium. Twelve girls will be competing for the honor of representing the area as the 1994 Grayling Junior Miss.

Sunday begins with the traditional pancake breakfast at Hanson Hills by the Grayling Youth Booster Club.

The second leg, a 5K cross-country ski race, of the Winter Wolf Challenge takes place Sunday morning and the final leg, the snowshoe race, starts at noon. Both take place at Hanson Hills.

The celebration concludes with the Winter Wolf Challenge awards ceremony after the snowshoe race.

Spectators to the events will have the chance to win prizes in the Winter Wolf Challenge raffle. Prizes include a kayak, snowshoes, a ski weekend and a special clock.

Raffle tickets are currently available at many area businesses throughout the county. Tickets for the Grayling Junior Miss Pageant will go on sale at Mac's Drugs after Feb. 8.

The Grayling Winterfest and Winter Wolf Challenge are sponsored by area industry and businesses and by the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce and the Grayling Area Visitors Council.



WHICH OF THESE LADIES WILL BE GRAYLING'S NEW JUNIOR MISS?--The Grayling Junior Miss contestants recently spent a day assembling Winter Wolf Challenge buttons with Pageant Director Sandy Moore. Pictured standing (l-r) are Maxine Miller, Dusty Gammon, Sandy Moore, Heidi Smock, Tara Emmons, Sarah Furst, Lynne Rochette, Mandee Duvall and Katie Smock. Seated (l-r) are Sarah Woodland, Carrie Wells and Nicole Wilcox. Missing from the picture is Samara Sabin.

Avalanche owner elected to Journalism Hall of Fame

Crawford County Avalanche owner Richard Milliman has been elected to the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame.

Milliman and two other Hall of Fame inductees will be honored at an induction banquet on April 23.

The Hall of Fame selections were announced by Dr. Stan Soffin, chair of the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame Committee.

Milliman, a native of Coldwater, is celebrating his 50th year in the Michigan newspaper business.

With his family, he currently owns and operates three daily and six weekly Michigan newspapers. The weekly newspapers are the Crawford County Avalanche; the Onaway Outlook; the

Presque Isle County Advance in Rogers City; the Ingham County News in Mason; the Williamston Enterprise; and the Towne Courier in East Lansing.

The daily newspapers are the Albion Recorder, the Marshall Chronicle and Three Rivers Commercial News.

Milliman, 66, began his newspaper career at the Coldwater Daily Reporter after graduating from high school in 1944.

After receiving a degree in Journalism from Michigan State University, he went to work as a reporter at the Holland Sentinel. After three years there, he moved to the Lansing State Journal as a political reporter covering Michigan government.

In his eight years at the State Journal, Milliman covered the governor's office, state employees, the House of Representatives, state and national conventions and elections and both political parties. His stories and commentary on state government were published in the State Journal, the Battle Creek Enquirer and the Grand Rapids Herald.

In 1962, Milliman became a press secretary for gubernatorial candidate George Romney. After Romney's election, Milliman was promoted to Assistant to the Governor for Public Information and Press Secretary, a position he held until 1965.

Upon leaving the Governor's office,

Milliman went to work for Mid State Broadcasting Corporation, later called Panax Corporation, as vice president for newspapers. He became publisher of the Mt. Pleasant Daily Times-News and the Alma Record. He also supervised management of daily newspapers in Marquette, Escanaba and Iron Mountain for Panax.

In 1967, he rejoined the Romney team in its campaign for president, working in research, speech writing and press relations.

Milliman has owned and operated 27 Michigan newspapers--23 weekly and four daily newspapers--since his purchase of the Crawford County Avalanche in 1967. His holdings have

included the Osceola County Herald; Lake City Waterfront; Clare Sentinel; Livingston County Press; Farmers Advance; Fowlerville Review; Dowagiac Daily News; Milford Times; Hartland Herald; Pinckney Post and Brighton Sun.

He has also owned the Grand Ledge Independent; Portland Review and Observer; Grand Ledge Reminder; Clinton County News; Charlotte Republican Tribune; Delta Waverly Independent; Bath-Dewitt Review; the Green Sheet and the Portage Headliner.

Milliman attended the University of Michigan and was graduated from

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Milliman to be honored at M.S.U. April 23

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 Michigan State University. He is a veteran of the United States Army and served in the Philippines. He has taught journalism at Central Michigan University and Michigan

State University. In 1981, he developed and taught the first Capital News Service class at MSU, where students leave the classroom and cover the state capital for various Michigan newspapers.

In 1979, he was named an Outstanding Alumnus of Michigan State University College of Communications Arts. Each year, the

Milliman Award is given to an outstanding student of MSU's Capital News Service.

Milliman is past president of the Michigan Press Association (1979); past president of the University of Michigan Press Club (1979); director and past president of Michigan Newspapers, Inc., (1971-75); and past president of the State News Board of

Directors (1982-85).

He currently is president of the Michigan Press Foundation, which raises money for scholarships for community journalists at Michigan universities. He also serves on the State News Board of Directors.

As a reporter for the State Journal, Milliman won several national writing awards for his political commentary. His newspapers have also won more than four dozen awards for excellence from the Michigan Press Association, the Associated Press, the National Newspaper Association, the University of Michigan Press Club and the Michigan League of Home Dailies.

Milliman served on the Michigan Civil Service Commission from 1967-1971, and was elected to the Eaton County Board of Commissioners five times, serving seven years as finance chair and two years as commission chair.

In 1982, Milliman ran as Republican candidate for Congress in Michigan's third district.

Milliman resides in Lansing with his wife, Donna. They have three children, all of whom are in the family newspaper business, and eight grandchildren.

Milliman's family nominated him for the Hall of Fame. He joins inductees Dan Ryan, former publisher of the *Kalamazoo Gazette*, and the late Albert Dunmore, former publisher of the *Michigan Chronicle* as the newest members of the Hall of Fame.

Currently, 68 journalists are enshrined in the Hall of Fame, which began honoring journalists in 1952 as the Michigan Newspaper Hall of Fame.

The Induction Banquet will be held at the MSU Kellogg Center on April 23 at 6:30 p.m.

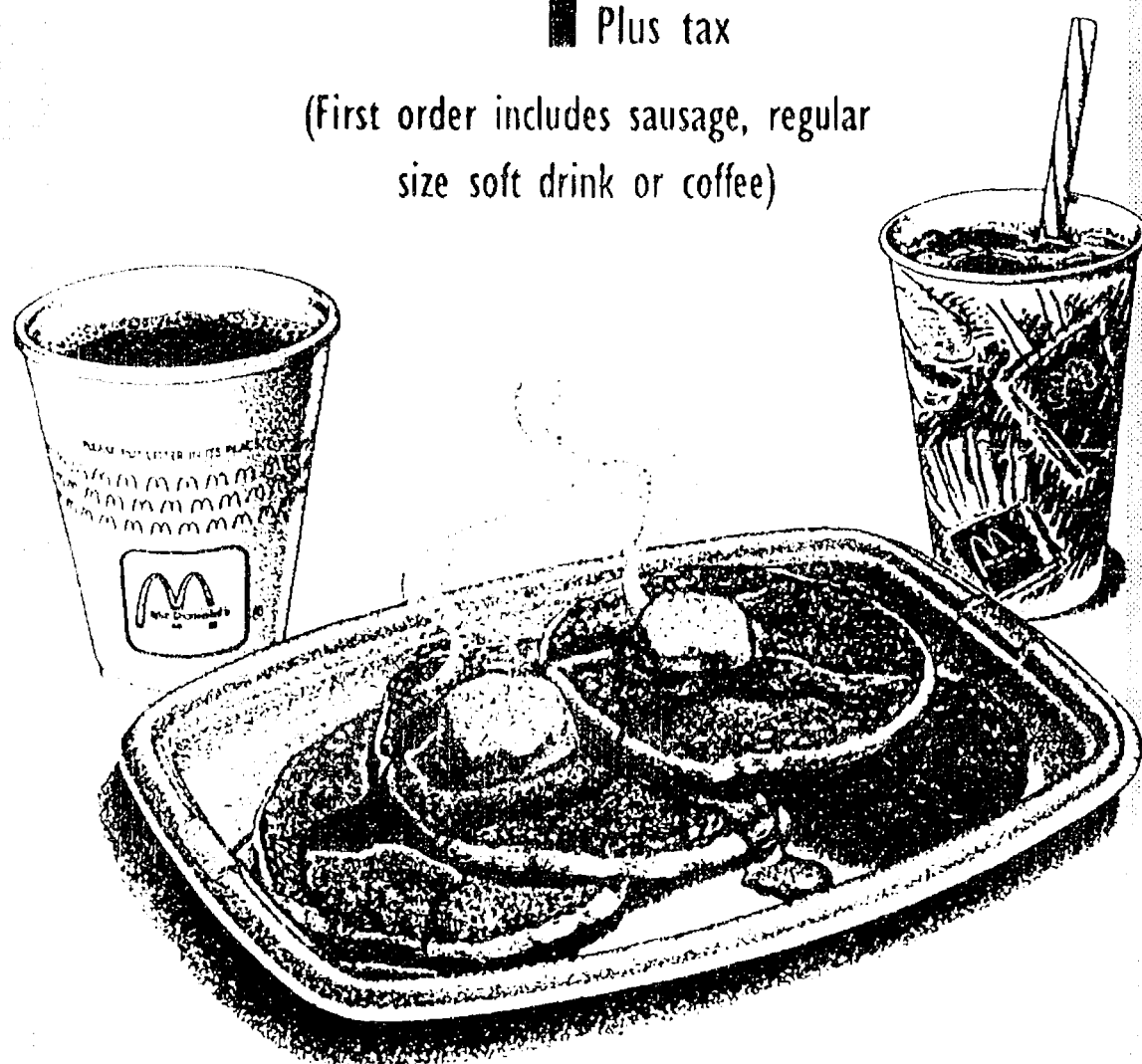
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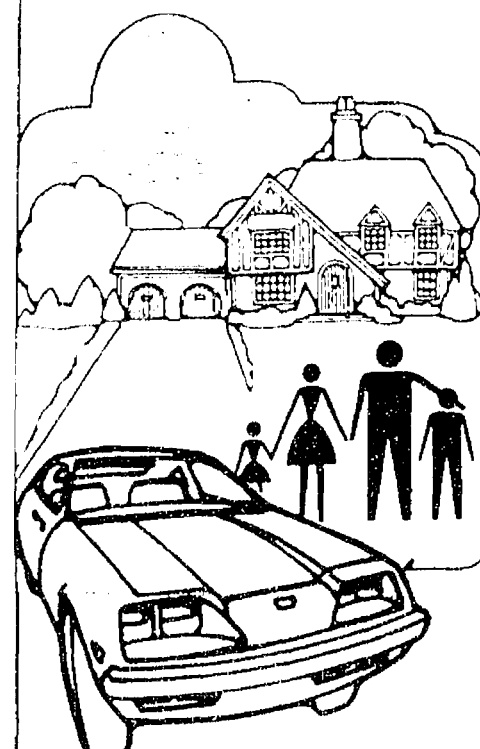
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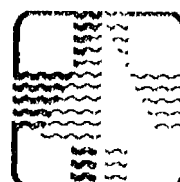
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Hunting & Fishing Weekly Update

Cat Calls...

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Where they're biting...

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County begins offering new nutrition education program

Crawford County is among 69 counties in Michigan that have begun offering a new nutrition education program to food stamp recipients.

The Family Nutrition Program (FNP) is funded by a \$1.56 million matching grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to the Michigan State University Extension.

FNP will provide education on budgeting, food safety and food shopping to targeted food stamp recipients. The program will be delivered through county Michigan State University Extension offices in cooperation with local departments of social services.

Robert Porter, director of the Crawford County Department of Social Services, said there are approximately 600 food stamp recipients in Crawford County which could take advantage of the new FNP program.

Education will be delivered through home instruction, food demonstrations at food distribution sites, group sessions and newsletters.

One of the two educators in Crawford County is Elizabeth McMillan of the MSU Extension. McMillan has a bachelor of science degree in family resources and consumer sciences.

"We want to help these people spread their food stamps as far as possible and still maintain proper nutrition," McMillan said. "This is a totally non-threatening program. We'll start by going into their homes, one-on-one to teach them nutrition, shopping and other related skills."

McMillan said she hopes this will be an ongoing program.

"There's a real need here," she added.

For information on FNP, you may call either (517) 275-5043 or (517) 348-2841, extension 264.

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Juanita Millikin played for her husband. She said he will use his winnings for a trip to Las Vegas or Branson, MO.

They also would like to do something special for their children, she said. Both Millikins enjoy camping and spending time with family on their 24-foot pontoon boat.

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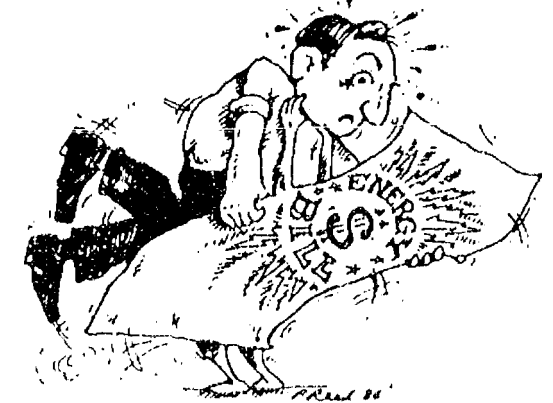
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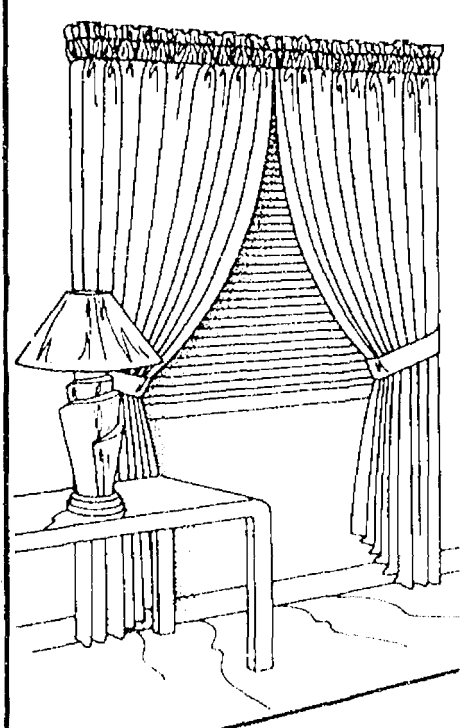
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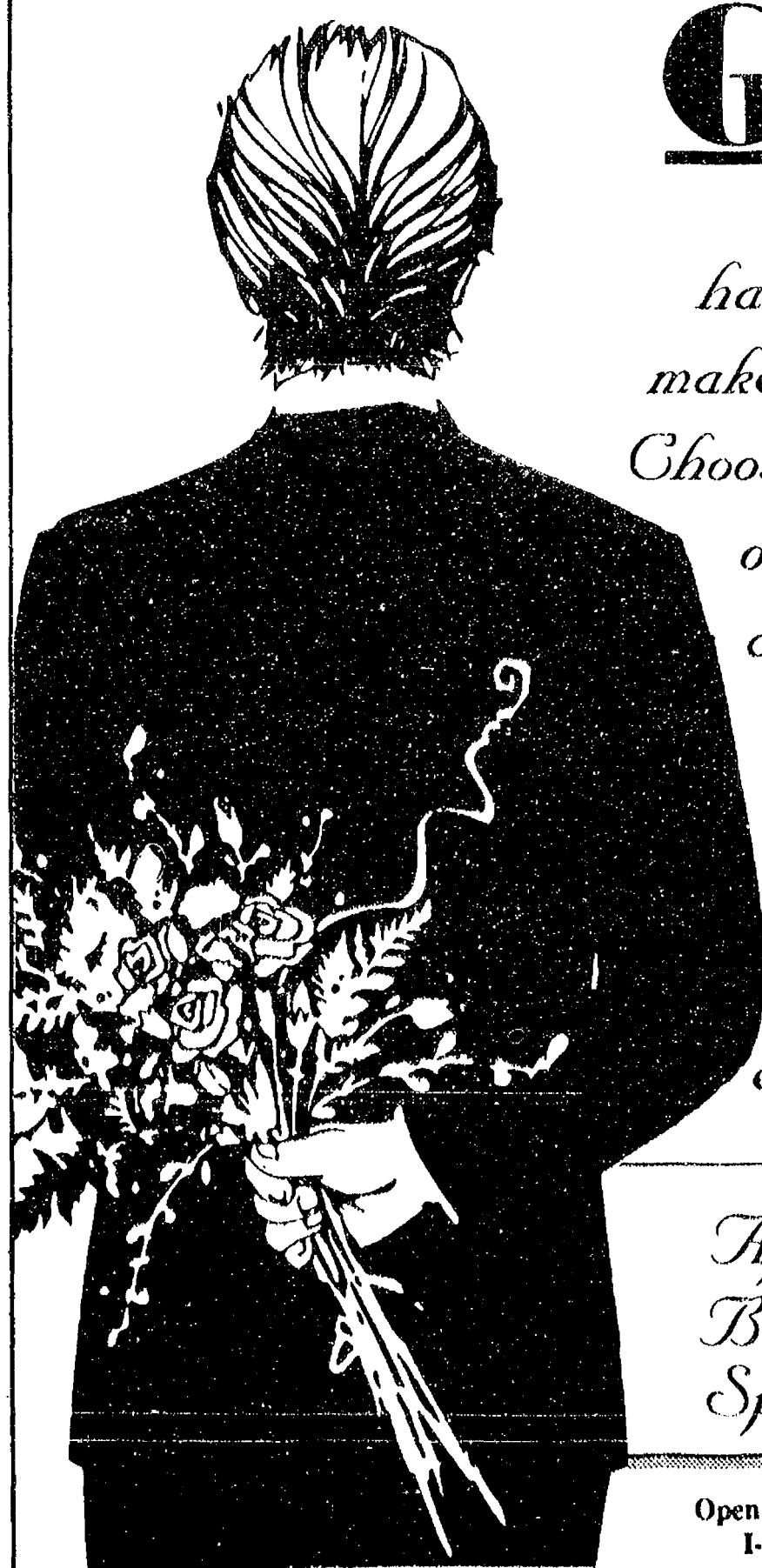
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FRI. 4	• BBB VS. ONAWAY, away, 6:15 pm. • LEARNING THRU MUSIC SERIES "GHS And Other Area Bands" @ GHS auditorium, 7:30 pm.
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WED. 9	• SKIING @ conference meet. • VB VS. ALCONA, away, 6 pm. • MS BBB VS. KALKASKA, 7th away, 8th home, 6 pm. • ROTARY LUNCHEON MEETING @ noon, Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel. • WEIGHT WATCHERS MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 W.; weigh-in 4:45; meeting 5:30. • COA board meeting @ Grayling Housing Commission building, 308 Lawndale, 5:30 pm.

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FROM OUR CORNER By Whitey Madsen

Just in case you hadn't noticed, the ol' fella hasn't been around his corner lately... due to our financial situation and the weather...

Thelma hasn't won at bingo so I couldn't talk her out of a couple bucks... and also, the weather. My den is heated by a charcoal burner, and sometimes I forget to put the charcoal in... that means ol' Smithy gets sluggish, and does not spell very well...

That gives me the excuse I needed, so I head for the couch (in the living room) not my den, for a bit of a nap...

While on my den, I should let my couple readers know that when I mentioned my couch was bare, and only the deity would know how long it would be that way...

Well, the deity gave up... I think it lasted for maybe a week and a half...

And to think I have had problems in my den with my bride and all of her junk... I have news for you... my best friend Tasha, has decided to join up with Thelma... I guess it is somewhat of an agreement... Thelma takes the couch... Tasha takes the floor...

Now when I enter MY room I have to walk over tennis balls, round chewing bones, a couple three stuffed animals that she decided belonged in my den instead of the wicker basket where they have been in for years...

And Rodney Dangerfield, claims he

doesn't have any respect...

Now that I have let you know of my trials and tribulations at home... we will take you down to my second home, the Avalanche...

By now, a couple weeks ago on paper day, I was ready to leave... walked across the alley, started my car, (cause it was cold out)... went inside to warm up, decided to leave... as I did, I looked down to see where I was going... next thing I knew I was looking up to see where the stars were going... it hurt...

Being a stubborn Dane, only because I live with a stubborn German... I waited for a week in hopes the hurt would go away... I had heard some place that if there is any doubt... call you doctor... so I did.

Instructions, head for the hospital, check in, I did, go down that hall, if you can read it says X-ray... that is your place.

A young fella comes out, calls my name, I follow him, go in this room and take your clothes off... I say, I am only here for an X-ray... he says, the doctor wants more...

After about a half hour in the dressing room trying to get two arms into three openings, I called for anyone that could help...

I'm ready, two arms in, one slot I don't know where it went...

Now comes the tricky part, walking on highly polished floors to these overhead things, the man says get up on the table... now that is like telling Madonna to go put some clothes on... almost

impossible...

When I finally made it up on the steel table from a stool that was as slippery as the floor, I almost asked the X-ray man if they provided parachutes in case I slipped off because I hadn't got around to make my will out...

I would suggest, if I ever have to come back... there must be some non-skid spray that could be used... or maybe some out-door, in-door stuff... I only suggest this because there may be someone a little smaller than I, and you may lose them if they slide off the back side of that big machine.

I should mention this, when the man was getting me in some position, he would say it will only hurt for a

minute... it has been two days and that minute hasn't come up yet... in fact I hurt worse getting dressed than when I was told to disrobe...

All and all, I have no animosity toward the man... it's the damn machines he has to operate.

After my sojourn at the hospital, I went down to the office and came through the back door (that was the only door I was allowed to enter when I was in the south). Once I got past the outer door and opened the inner-door there was some sort of meeting going on...

The managing editor, staff writer, superintendent of schools, vice-governor of Michigan and another person... not knowing what was going

on, I stepped back into a corner, thinking this wouldn't last long... after awhile I felt like a dumb frog sitting on a lily pod not knowing where to jump...

My biggest problem was that they were all standing in the doorway to my office, and I couldn't get in to take my 1:30 nap.

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An idle thought... I really do not know what Bill O'Brien does except for taking up space in our environment, and impersonating Santa Claus for two weekends...

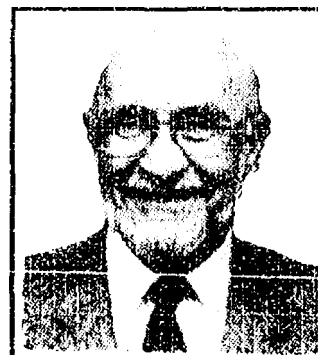
It seems like the only time I see him is when he is loitering in the post office... possibly he is hoping the

Gendarmes will pick him up and take him down to 100 Michigan Ave., then he would have a cot to sleep on, and be served the steak they have at dinner time.

In case you read this, Willey... if you end up at the end of Michigan Avenue, don't call me for bail money... you're better off in there because it protects all the single girls in northern Michigan... see you at the P.O.

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Second idle thought... ten minutes ago, the bride hollered, Tasha needs to be fed, as if she didn't know where I keep Tasha's steak... move over Rodney, you are not alone...



ALAMANACK By Richard Milliman

Quieter life calls Rep. Ford

BILL FORD IS NOT the only member of Congress with retirement on his mind.

Almost three dozen other members already have announced they won't be back next year — of their own accord. Of course, dozens more may be absent by voter decision.

Why the exodus? Why now? Why have such relative kings of the hill as Bill Ford of Michigan, and House Republican Leader Bob Michel of Illinois, and career political winner Sen. Don Riegle of Michigan all have decided that the end of the road is here?

We should take them at their word, of course, such as:

It isn't as much fun as it used to be. The challenge is dimming. It's too tough to raise campaign money for re-election. The needs of the family have been neglected long enough.

But there may be some other reasons, too, which at least contribute.

its core. Retirement now may be a case of beating the hangman.

Working with Presidents Clinton — Bill and Hillary — probably is no fun for members of Congress, either — although lawmakers historically outlast presidents in the public service.

But the way the Clintons have been conducting the White House, and especially their urgings on Congress, could cause second thoughts, too.

How the public looks at Congress is changing, too. There is less esteem for the position today than in a long time. The pervasiveness of the investigative media is forever putting public officials at the risk of embarrassment. Something which is entirely innocent in nature can be made to look like a mortal sin; little blemishes can become ugly public scars. The repeated examples of neglecting to pay federal taxes for household help is a case in point. Just how serious is this? Is it a genuinely criminal act? And how does it appear to the public?

veteran committee chair such as Rep. Bill Ford or a party leader such as Rep. Bob Michel as it is for a relative newcomer. Still, it's a chore, and its escalation is ever in sight.

Put all these factors into place, and the old rocking chair must look pretty inviting.

MR. FORD ALSO may have been a delayed victim of reapportionment. For many years, he has waltzed back into the House without much serious opposition.

In 1992, however, a Republican challenger named John Schall of Ann Arbor mounted a respectable campaign, and came within shooting range of Mr. Ford. Mr. Schall has been working on his second campaign ever since, and without the magic of a successful presidential ticket to help, the Ford seat doesn't appear nearly as safe for a Democrat as it has in the past.

Similar election uncertainty may have influenced the Riegle choice for retirement, too.

Decisions to change the course of a lifetime are not easy ones.

When old political pros such as Bill Ford and Don Riegle and Bob Michel opt for retirements, it's a cinch that their considerations are many and varied.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

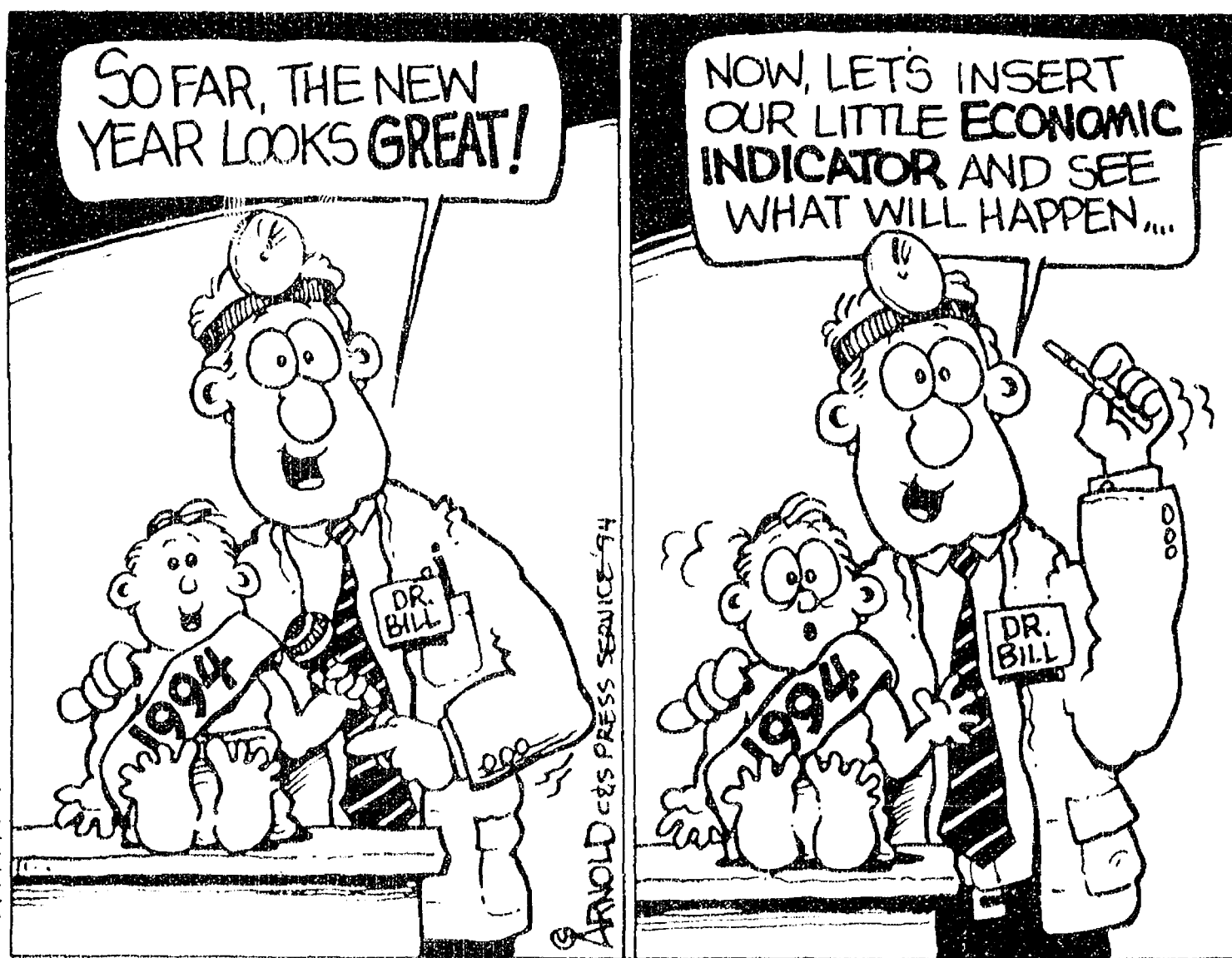
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LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

By Joe Murphy

Looking back, there's definitely something dangerous about how lumberjacks used to carry on with their daily duties.

The old time lumberjack looked a tree over with care before he began to cut it down to insure he would become an old lumberjack. For many dangers lurked in the top of those tall pines.

One was called widow-makers, consisting of dead branches that might be hung up in the top of the tree he was about to cut. There was a danger that when a tree began to fall it would release a dead branch and that would fall on top of the unsuspecting lumberjack.

Being hit by a heavy branch falling from the top of a tall pine killed many unwary men in those days. A lumberjack standing in hip deep snow did not have a lot of mobility to get away from the falling branches.

Another thing that killed many lumberjacks were "twisters." These were trees caught in another tree, and as it fell some twisted off the stump and dropped on the cutter.

By looking things over carefully with an experienced eye, a lumberjack tried to reduce the danger of his work. The old stumps so common in my youth pretty well told the snow depth of the winter they were cut. There were a lot of stumps five and six feet

high which told the story of deep snow.

In many areas the trees grew close together and all had to be felled in the same direction out into the cleared space of prior cuts. If for some reason a tree fell back onto standing trees, a real lumberjack's nightmare was created. Those "leaners" were real dangerous to be anywhere near for they could fall at anytime and the heavy butt end could go in any direction.

Just about all the jobs in the lumber woods had more than their fair share of danger. Some of the timber contractors who were operating on a shoe string as they attempted to get a start, using equipment that should have been junked. Even a badly worn chain presented a real danger if it happened to fail at the wrong time.

My day always said the most dangerous job was that of a powder

monkey whose job was to keep the downhill grades sanded. Sanding was needed to slow down the sleigh's hauling loads of logs downhill.

About the only way to get the sand they needed was to breakup the frozen ground with dynamite blasts. Frozen dynamite is very unstable and it was a fairly common thing for the powder monkey to blow himself up.

My old buddy John Wejrowski brought me over some old sporting magazines to look over. They date back to 1903 and I want to check them for perhaps a fishing or hunting story of our local area in the old days.

I find the old ads very interesting. I saw one ad for four full quarts of whiskey for \$3.20 delivered in a plain brown wrapper. At those kinds of prices you can understand why some of the old timers might have had a drinking problem.

AVALANCHE DEADLINES

Community news items submitted to the Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in our Wednesday issue. Letters to the Editor and photographs must be turned in by Friday noon to be considered for the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-by-11-inch paper, typed, and double-spaced. Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on lined paper

please use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid in advance or they will not be published. Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday, 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday, 5 p.m.

MERCY HOSPITAL BIRTHS

The following parents are proud to announce their recent arrivals at Grayling Mercy Hospital:

Aaron and Karen Yoder of Mio: Aaron Jay, January 10, 1994, 6 lbs., 15.7 ozs.

Eugene and Angela Adams of Waters: Cody Calvin, January 14, 1994, 7 lbs., 6.2 ozs.

Tommy Paul and Katrina Pawlaczyk of Grayling: Julian Herrmann Pawlaczyk, January 15, 1994, 5.5 lbs.

Michael and Brenda Bergan of Frederic: David Michael, January 20, 1994, 8 lbs., 4 ozs.

Charles Hinman and Holly Hunnicutt of Roscommon: Crystal, January 20, 1994, 6 lbs., 2 ozs.

David and Gale Holland of Grayling: Bryce Cameron, January 21, 1994, 6 lbs., 14.8 ozs.

Corey Holberton and Brenda Nedwash of Mio: Jared, January 21, 1994, 8 lbs., 9.8 ozs.

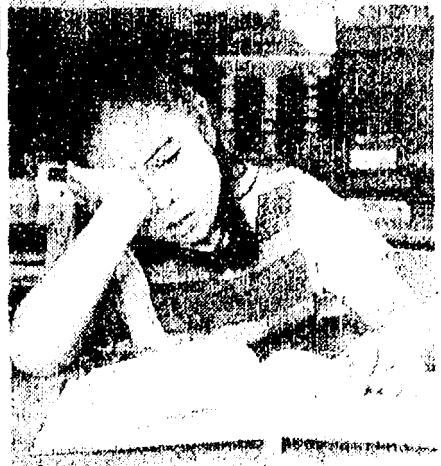
Local Weather

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	High	Low	Rain or snow	Snow on ground
1/26	16			19"
1/27	10	-6		19"
1/28	27	-6	0.44	19"
1/29	26	10	0.38	25"
1/30	12	1	0.01	25 1/4"
1/31	8	-33		25"
2/1	12	-34		24"

Extended forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Houghton Lake: Wednesday calls for a 70 percent chance of snow, especially in the afternoon. The high will be around 20. Thursday will be cold, with a chance of snow. The high will be five to ten above, with the low of zero to ten below. Friday will be cloudy and continued cold, with the high of five to ten above, and the low of five to ten below. Saturday calls for a chance of snow. The high will be five to ten above, with the low of five above.

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OBITUARIES

Mary Bristow

Mary Bristow, 85, of Royal Oak, died Thursday, Jan. 27, 1994, at Abbey Convalescent Home in Warren. Funeral services were held Tuesday, Feb. 1, 1994, at 11 a.m., at St. Mary's Catholic Church, with Reverend Michael Conner officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Bristow was born Feb. 2, 1908, in Grayling. She worked as a waitress, and spent her summers in Grayling for many years.

Mrs. Bristow was preceded in death by her husband, James E. Bristow, in 1980, and by her parents, John and Anna (Gorance) Harrison.

Survivors include: daughter, Dolly Bristow of Royal Oak; son, Richard Bristow of Madison Heights; brothers, Laudy Harrison of Grayling, and Rudy Harrison of Houghton Lake; four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

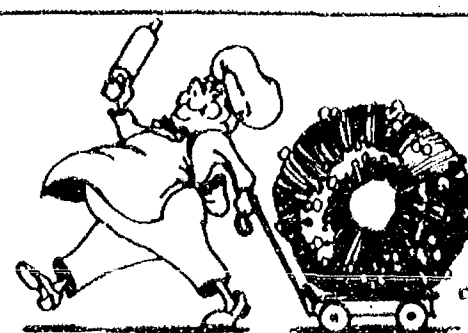
Doris Solomonson

Doris Solomonson, 88, of Grayling, died Sunday, Jan. 30, 1994, at her residence. Funeral services were held Tuesday, Feb. 1, 1994, at 2 p.m., at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, with Reverend Douglas Paterson officiating. Burial was in Parkview Cemetery in Livonia.

Mrs. Solomonson was born November 7, 1905, in St. Austell, England. She had been a resident of Grayling for 23 years, moving here from Detroit.

Mrs. Solomonson was preceded in death by her husband, Rupert; sons, Clifford, John and Jerry; brothers, Sidney and Robert; and by her parents, Robert and Bessie (Robbins) Brumbill.

Survivors include: son, Kenneth and wife, Irene Solomonson of Taylor; brother, John Brumbill of Grayling; sister-in-law, Anna Brumbill of Detroit; daughter-in-law, Penny Solomonson of Grayling; 19 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.



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Some Behavior is Worth Rewarding

Dear Mr. Ross: Can you please help me? I'm 20 years old with four children, ages 6, 4, 2, and 2 months. Don't worry, I got my tubes tied. I receive A.F.D.C. which is not a lot. I pay my bills and support my children solely by myself. I never have any extra, but I'm looking to change that.

In May of '92 I went back to school and graduated with my G.E.D. That was the proudest day of my life. Now I'm in my second semester of college. My problem is that I don't have a decent coat, shoes or pants. I've been to the Goodwill and Salvation Army. They're ridiculous with their prices. My clothes from last semester are maternity that the Women's Aid donated to me. I may be poor now, but after I graduate that's all going to change. I'm majoring in criminal justice. If you help me now, when I receive my degree later, I'll return the favor. You're my last hope. Please don't turn me away. Whatever you see fit I'll accept.

Ms. L. G. ... News Marketer, Chicago, IL

Dear Ms. G.: My reaction after reading your letter was, "You bet I'll help this gal out!" Why? Because you mentioned you've had a tubal, otherwise I'd have passed over your request without a flicker of guilt. What does that tell you? Please accept my forthcoming check to purchase some suitable clothing.

Dear Mr. Ross: More tales from the dark side. I just got back to my room with 76 cents in my pocket. I started out by stopping at a grocery store to buy a box of pasta for 50 cents. That way I'd have a quarter left to call about a job I saw in the paper. Well, there wasn't any pasta at this store for 50 cents so I still have the 76 cents. Times are very rough. You see,

I'm a 38-year-old male and recently tested HIV positive. I have no insurance or assistance from family or friends. I do work, although my hours are only about 20 a week. I'm living in a hotel and pay \$100 a week, which leaves me little cash for groceries. I've never written a letter like this. If you'd grant me any amount of assistance it would get me looking up again, rather than at the ground for change.

Mr. C. B. ... TV Weekly, Pensacola, FL

Dear Mr. B.: For a man who has only 76-cents to his name, sending a letter at 29-cents seems a bit extravagant. Either that or a good con. However, by the grace of God, there go I. My check's in the mail--judgment free.

Mr. Ross: This is in reference to the adoption of our fifth child. I understand that you don't get involved with adoptions, but maybe you can still help us. Because of the increase in our family size, our Pinto station wagon is no longer large enough for everyone. We need to purchase a vehicle that would fit seven people. Our taste is not fancy, it's just that most of our extra funds have gone toward the expense in adopting this last child. We're leaving shortly for Brazil to get him. Any amount you may give us will most certainly be appreciated.

Mrs. J. J. ... Crow River News, Osseo, MN

Dear Mrs. J.: There's no doubt in my mind that you'd be appreciative of any and all monies received. Appreciation isn't the issue--practicality is. Because I deal with thousands of requests each week, I need to draw the line somewhere. For a couple of obvious reasons, your request is one that will go unfulfilled.

Write Percy Ross, P.O. Box 39000-B, Minneapolis, MN 55439. Include your phone number and name of this publication. All letters are read. Only a few are answered in this column; others may be acknowledged privately.

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Absentee ballots are now available

Secretary of State Richard Austin today reminded voters that they may now apply for an absentee voter ballot if they plan to be out-of-town for the special election on Tuesday, March 15.

"The special election requested by the Legislature to decide the fate of a ballot proposal on school funding comes at a time when many Michigan residents will be vacationing in warmer parts of the country or sightseeing

with their children on spring breaks," Austin said in a released statement.

"As residents make plans to be out-of-town on March 15 they should add an absentee vote ballot application to their list of things to do," Austin added.

State law allows registered voters to apply for an absentee voter ballot 75 days prior to the election if they plan to be out-of-town during an election. The law also extends the right to vote by

absent voter ballot to individuals unable to vote without assistance; voters 60 years of age or older, voters in jail awaiting arraignment or trial, voters working as precinct inspectors in a precinct other than where they are registered to vote; and voters unable to attend the polls because of religious beliefs.

If any of these conditions exist, voters should write or telephone their

city or township clerk to obtain an absent voter ballot application, or complete the application in person at the local clerk's office. Voters may also write a letter to the local clerk requesting an absent voter ballot and explaining the reasons why, according to the Secretary of State office.

The final day to register for the special election is Valentine's Day, Monday, February 14.

YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

By Charles Tinsley

If you own a business and you're getting ready to retire, Social Security has some hints to help you prepare to file your claim for benefits.

In taking your claim for benefits, you will need to know whether you'll be completely retired or whether you plan

to continue some involvement in the business. To get all of your Social Security retirement benefits, you must retire, or at least reduce your earnings below certain limits. Otherwise, some—or all—of your benefits will be withheld. Here's how it goes: In 1994, if you are under age 65, you can earn up to \$8,040. For every \$2 you earn over this limit, \$1 is withheld from your benefits. For people age 65 through 69, the 1994 limit is \$11,160. For every \$3 you earn over this limit, \$1 is withheld from your benefits. These limits apply to everyone: people who work for wages and those who are self-employed. If you are age 70 or over, there are no earnings limits.

When you work for wages, it's easy for us to determine whether you're "retired." Your earnings record tells the whole story.

But when you are self-employed, it's not as simple. For example, if you decide to file for benefits, but continue to work part-time in the business, you could be in a position to control your earnings. In that case, we probably will ask you for additional information—such as tax returns or corporate records. This will help us to decide whether you have reduced your services in the business to match the reduction in your income. In other words, the income you receive from the business must match the work you do. You cannot simply pay yourself a small salary to stay under Social Security's earnings limits.

When you file for Social Security benefits, several situations require additional information and evidence to help us decide your level of retirement. Additional evidence would be necessary if you are:

- involved in a family business or another family member is assuming some, or all, of your duties.

- continuing to render services for the business at a reduced rate of compensation.

- still the owner, or part-owner of a business and own stock in the business.

- splitting wages with others (dividing former salary between you and your spouse or children, for example.)

Here's an example of a situation that would require an extensive

interview and documentation because the person is retiring from his or her own business. Let's say Mr. Davenport owns and manages a furniture store. His net profit was \$65,000 last year. He turns 62 in 1994 and plans to file for Social Security retirement benefits. He decides to incorporate the business, naming his wife as president, his oldest son as vice-president, and declares himself treasurer—paying himself \$8,000 so he will be under Social Security's earnings limit. But he intends to continue to control and manage the business just as he did before he incorporated.

While Mr. Davenport makes the arrangements with the best of intentions, only when he talks with a Social Security representative does he learn that his arrangements may be improper. The representative explains that Mr. Davenport cannot simply

reduce his income in order to receive Social Security without also reducing the services he provides to the business. Fortunately, Mr. Davenport talked to Social Security before he had to file amended tax reports and before we would have had to make adjustments to his Social Security record. All of these actions could have delayed the processing of his retirement claim.

We encourage you to check with us well before filing for benefits to make sure you are aware of the documentation you will need for the interview. Remember—you have to "retire" to collect "retirement" benefits—or at least significantly reduce your involvement in your business and keep your earnings under the limits.

Call the Traverse City office, 1-616-946-8361, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for more information.

COMMISSION ON AGING

By Jan Farley

Well, as luck would have it, (and the Alberta Clippers) we had to cancel the "Pajama Party Dance," however we are rescheduling it for the last dance in February on the 23rd and hope the weather cooperates.

Snow days and the center are confusing, I know, but we try to get the news out to as many people as we can, via the radio, TV and telephone. If you have any questions, whether the center is open or the meals on wheels are being delivered, just call the center and we will either have it on the answering machine or someone will be on the line.

I can't stress the importance that our Meals-on-Wheels program needs your help. There is a continuous shortage of drivers to deliver the meals. If you feel that you would like to volunteer one day a week or even occasionally, to deliver these meals to our shut-ins, please call 348-7123. It only takes a couple of hours and you would be helping us immensely.

We also need people to be Senior Companions. You are given a stipend and mileage for your time and effort plus you get tremendous satisfaction from visiting and helping the people who need it so much. Call for more details.

The "Ritz on Lawndale" (Senior Citizen dining room) is, "Where the elite meet to eat!" For a donation of \$1.50 per meal for seniors and a cost of \$2.50 for those under 60, you can get the best deal in town on a delicious meal. Reservations are needed (348-7123), but if you find yourself in town

and want to stop in, please feel free to enjoy our meals at any time; we can always feed you.

Congregate meals are served at noon and five o'clock, Monday through Thursday and at noon on Fridays. Menus are subject to change and are listed as Lunch/Dinner:

- Feb. 2-Fish/Ham;
- Feb. 3-Boiled New England Dinner/Oven Pork & Veg.;
- Feb. 4-BBQ Chicken;
- Feb. 7-Ham Loaf/Chicken Chow Mein;
- Feb. 8-Pigs in a Blanket/Country Pork;
- Feb. 9-Parmesan Chicken/Beef Stroganoff;
- Feb. 10-Kielbasa & Kraut/Roast Pork;
- Feb. 11-Pot Roast.

Coming Events

- Mark your calendars for: Sunday Brunch on Feb. 6th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (pancakes).
- Feb. 8-"BK" Bingo Birthday Party for February people. Trivia game at 5:30 p.m.
- Feb. 10-Valentine's dance with Tina Kennedy at the organ.
- Feb. 11-South Branch Satellite at 11:30 a.m.
- Advisory Council, Feb. 14, 10 a.m. Public welcome.
- Feb. 16-COA Board Meeting at 5:30 p.m.
- Crafts every Tuesday morning at 10 a.m., bring your own to do or learn something new to do with the gang.
- Bible study at 10:30 a.m. every Wednesday.

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Chamber committee updates

Festival Committee: Grayling's Junior Miss Pageant which will be held on Saturday evening, Feb. 29, at the Joseph Stripe Auditorium.

The Winter Wolf Challenge is off to a great start with over 2,000 brochures having been sent to Michigan canoeists and cross country skiers and runners, inviting them to participate in the first annual Winter Wolf Challenge Triathlon. The Triathlon events of kayaking, cross country skiing and snowshoe will be held on the weekend of Feb. 19 and 20 as part of the Grayling WinterFest activities. There is a minimal entry fee that will assure each entrant a Winter Wolf T-shirt and collector medal.

The official kick off of the Grayling WinterFest will begin on Thursday evening, Feb. 17, at the Grayling Holiday Inn with a special dinner to honor the "1993 Grayling's Young Woman of the Year" and to introduce the 1994 contestants in the

Education Committee:

The Education Committee of the Grayling Regional Chamber has been working in cooperation with the Crawford AuSable School Board and staff to establish two pilot sessions of Junior Achievement in the Grayling Middle School. Junior Achievement is an international program designed to interact business in the education process. The education committee of the chamber has committed the local

business community's progress of a committee support in assisting with that has been formed to the development of this review the various issues important partnership. associated with managing The first J.A. programs to a county that is 75% state be offered will be and federally owned.

"Economics of Staying in School" to be presented to The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce an eighth grade class and "Project Business" to be "1994 Membership presented to a ninth grade Directory and Community class. At the high school Profile" is hot off the press level. business and has been mailed to representatives will be the chamber membership. presenting an "Interview Within the next few weeks Skills Workshop" for the the chamber executive 10th grade classes. It is director will be conducting anticipated that the a phone survey of the "Interview" session will be the membership to determine the effectiveness of the chamber programming Business and Industry and services. The EXPO on Apr. 22 and 23 of membership committee encourages you to be prepared to offer your ideas or concerns when given this opportunity.

Legislative Committee:

The Legislative Committee of the chamber will be holding its quarterly Legislative Forum in February. The focus of the quarterly forums is to provide the opportunity for all of Crawford County's legislative representatives to get together to discuss important local concerns regarding Crawford County. It is anticipated that County Commissioner Robert Smock will offer a brief presentation regarding the

Business Advisory Committee:

The Business Advisory Committee of the chamber will be reviewing the 1994 EXPO of Crawford County Business and Industry to offer new ideas on this annual tradition. The EXPO is currently scheduled for a two-day show on Apr. 22 and 23 at the Grayling High School. More details on the event will follow in the next few weeks.



PRIZE MONEY -- Donna Masker, board president of the Grayling Area Visitors Council (GAVC), Richard Filley, member of the Greater Grayling Snowmobile Association (GGSA), Lester Fouch member of the GAVC and GGSA director, Neal Michal, president of the GGSA, David Sabin, board president of the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce shake hands as the GGSA recently received \$4,000 in donations from the two organizations for prize money for the Winter Challenge Snowmobile Drag Races. The GAVC and the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce each donated \$2,000 to race organizers for the event which took place Jan. 22-23 at Camp Grayling on the South Bay of Lake Margarethe.

GAVC FEATURES

Grayling's great outdoors

The Grayling Area Visitors Council will be featuring "Grayling's Great Outdoors" while attending the MUCC Michigan EXPO — Outdoor Rama '94 Show in Novi, from Feb. 25 through Mar. 6 and the Grand Rapids 49th Annual Sports Fishing and R.V. Show in Grand Rapids from Mar. 17 through 20.

Recreational businesses (such as canoe liveries, sporting goods, outfitters, ski shops and facilities, or golf courses) that are interested in having the GAVC promote their services or products should drop off a supply (500 pieces) of promotional materials to the chamber office by Feb. 23.

The Visitors Council is still looking for a few interested recreational business representatives that may be interested in working at the shows to highlight Grayling's many attributes. Assistant Chairperson, Cheri Hunter stated, "This is a great opportunity for business owners to promote their particular business along with the Grayling area." Individuals working the shows will be compensated for meals and accommodations during their scheduled times. For a listing of available dates call Cheri Hunter at Borchers Bed & Breakfast, (517) 348-4921.

Community bids farewell to Colonel Wayne Koppa

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce along with the Camp Grayling National Guard will extend a very special farewell Roast for the camp commander, Col. Wayne Koppa and his wife Marcia on Friday evening, Feb. 11, 1994. Col. Koppa and Marcia will be leaving the country in mid February for a new assignment in Latvia.

The community is invited to attend this event which is hoped to be a fun and entertaining farewell for one of Grayling's true friends.

Tickets for the Roast are available on a first come basis at the chamber office. Seating will be limited so please plan ahead. Deadline for dinner tickets is Wednesday, Feb. 9.

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GAVC and Chamber to hold joint meeting

The chamber and the GAVC Board of Directors will be holding a joint meeting Wednesday evening, Feb. 9 to review each organization's strategic plan and to discuss how the two organizations will work together in the upcoming months to accomplish mutual goals.

February Calendar of Events

- 1st Winter Wolf Challenge Committee Meeting, Dave Sabin's office, 5:15 p.m.**
- 3rd Business Advisory Committee Meeting, City Council Chambers, 5 p.m.**
- 4th Crawford County Industrial Development Fund Meeting, City Chambers, 8 a.m.**
- 9th AuSable River Festival Committee Meeting, Iron Gate Restaurant, 8:30 a.m.**
- 9th GAVC and Chamber Joint Board Meeting, Grayling Holiday Inn, 4 p.m.**
- 11th Chamber Legislative Committee Meeting, Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon.**
- 11th Farewell Roast for Col. Wayne Koppa and Marcia, Grayling Holiday Inn, 6 p.m., tickets necessary.**
- 14th Chamber Executive Committee Meeting, Old Kent Bank, 4 p.m.**
- 16th Chamber Board of Directors Meeting, Chief Shoppenagon's Hotel, 8 a.m.**
- 17th Winter Wolf Kick Off Dinner, Grayling Holiday Inn, 6:30 p.m., tickets necessary.**
- 18th Legislative Forum**
- 25th GAVC-MUCC Trade Show in Novi.**



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GRAYLING MIDDLE SCHOOL

April Gosling

Mrs. Ingvarsson's class
7th grade English

The Legend of Annie Oakley

As the sun disappears and the stars come out to wish everyone a good night, I am reminded of my childhood and how my big sister became the famous one. Now, please take a seat and I will tell you about the "Little Sure Shot."

Annie Moses was the most athletic girl in our family. She hardly ever let herself know that she couldn't do something and she knew that if you put your mind to something you can do it.

When Annie was growing up, her family consisted of eight people. Annie had four sisters. Lyda was the oldest

and most mature. Elizabeth was next and she was almost as mature as Sarah Ellen, the next sister. Hulda, Annie's only younger sister, was the baby and she was not very mature. Annie's only two brothers were Jimmy (he was a year younger than Lyda) and me, Johnny, or Tay as they called me. I was Annie's sidekick, she never did anything without me. You could never in a million years find a brother and sister that got along as well as we did. Well, enough about me.

Annie and I were outside one beautiful day when we were kids, but it was pretty boring. We had dared everything possible and nothing sparked our interest. Then a sound rang out.

"What was that?" Annie yelled over

the deafening sound.

"I think it's a gun!" I yelled back to her.

Well, you know young kids, they're always curious. So, not resisting the temptation, we went to check out the sound. When we reached the spot where the sounds were coming from, we went silent. We saw a bunch of men shooting at a target. Then we slipped into a nearby beech. Then came the biggest surprise. A loud gobble came from beneath us and made us jump from our small branch. The hunters rushed over to see the turkey. Then out of nowhere, Annie yelled, "They're gonna kill it! We'll see who gets it!"

She forgot that back in those days, women and children were not supposed to go or be anywhere near the hunt. Well, it was too late, she yelled and we didn't have time to scoot. Then when the "leader of the pack," Mr. Shaw, let us stay to watch to see who got the turkey and he got it, it made us feel special. It also made a good story to tell Ma.

We had a lot of adventures together and even we had a lot of them, we weren't that rich in money. This is where the next adventure starts.

Ma always said that dad hunted down quails and rabbits for special occasions. Annie took this too seriously. Then one time she did it. Annie and I were outside and playing in the corn near our house. We were used to hearing the bobwhite quail. So, when we heard them all we got was a brainstorm. Right after they ran off to the woods, (the quails) Annie got this hair-brained idea to make a trap. The trap turned out pretty good. The quails couldn't get out, but they couldn't get in either. With a few adjustments, the trap was in top shape. It took two days to catch a quail, but when we did we got two. We had them for Ma's birthday. Yummy!

Annie wasn't even thought of as the hunting type. Until one day, when an old family friend by the name of Mr. Shaw, came to buy the old cow. Annie being the lady of the house since Ma was gone and the three older sisters also, she invited him in and asked him if he would like some tea. He took this offer. When he sat at the table with his cup of tea, he spotted Pa's old gun over the fireplace.

"Who's gun is that?" Mr. Shaw asked.

"It's my Pa's! He bought it in Indiana or somewhere. Then he brought it to Ohio, before he died." Annie answered in her calmest voice. "I'm gonna shoot it someday."

"Sure you can. I'll help you load and I'll set a target." Mr. Shaw said with a small chuckle. Then they loaded the gun. Mr. Shaw pointed out a walnut for Annie to shoot at. Then he got a thought that Annie couldn't even lift the gun to her shoulder. She sure showed him! She hit that walnut dead center. Mr. Shaw could not believe that that was the first time she had ever shot a gun.

Annie, Hulda and I got a rooster from Lyda's boyfriend. This rooster was called Trumpet and this name was true. He woke us up every morning at dawn. Annie took care of Trumpet as if he was a child. Annie even killed a wolf while she was trying to get the wolf away from me. Wolves were pretty hard to kill in those days. Annie

got a bounty and a lot of money for killing it. I was alright but Annie was never the same.

Work was hard to find for Ma. She had always been a nurse and worked near home. We were surprised when she was going to work in the next county. She split up the family and left. Annie went to an orphanage and ended up running away from a man who took her in as a servant. This man had promised to give all Annie's salary to Ma, but he lied. So, Annie ran away to the train station. When she reached the station, she fell asleep and awoke to find an elderly man watching her. He waiting for his granddaughter and when Annie told him her story, he bought her a ticket to go home. When she got home she was surprised to find that Ma was back and she was married to Mr. Shaw or Grandpa Shaw as I called him. Lyda, Sarah Ellen and Elizabeth had all grown and got married, leaving Hulda and me at home with Ma.

Grandpa Shaw was planning on building a new house for the family. This new house put him in debt and when his eyesight went, Annie took over the job of paying. She took her gift and used it to kill pheasants and sold them to Robert Frost in Cincinnati. In a couple of years it was paid off. Then she met Mr. Frost in person when she went to see Lyda in Cincinnati.

This is where the next adventure starts. Annie went to go see Lyda after she received a letter from her. When she goes to visit Lyda, she asks if she can go see Mr. Frost. When she gets there, Mr. Frost is happy to see his hunter. He also has an idea about her and one of his guests. This guest was Frank Butler, a world famous sharp shooter. He decided that they should have a shooting match the next day, but he would not tell Mr. Butler that his challenger was a girl. The next day Annie and Lyda went to the match. On the way there Annie saw a small town called Oakley and decided to change her name to Annie Oakley. The match was a tie until the last clay bird was shot. Mr. Butler missed and Annie hit it, but she won more than the match, she won Mr. Butler's love. Within two years they were married. And that's also how she got her name.

Annie traveled with Frank and his partner as they toured. When Frank's partner fell severely ill, Annie took over his part. One time when Annie came on stage and took her shot, a man stood up and yelled, "Little Sure Shot." That name stuck.

Over the years Annie became a part of the Buffalo Bill Wild West Show. She never really told me about her life in Buffalo Bill's show. She never did either. The train accident that led her to retire from the show was the last I heard from my sister. She died in 1926. She had lived a famous life and it will be a legend forever.



HOLIDAY MUSIC--The stage was set and the decorations up for the music programs at Frederic Elementary School. All four fourth grades presented a program early in December along with the third grade choir. In this photo is the fourth grade choir treating everyone to some holiday music after the second grade performed songs and a skit of Frosty the Snowman.

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Coty Denewett

Mrs. Fagerlie's 5th grade
Mike's Magic Rope

One day Mike was digging through a garbage can and he found a rope. He took it home and threw it into the woodbox. There it stayed all night. The next morning, after breakfast, Mike took the rope to work with him, and he found out that it was a magic rope. He did it like this, he said, "I wish that rope could help me." It did, it chopped all the wood and tied it up. They went home about lunch time that day, with the wood of course. They had soap and crackers. Then Mike went to bed for the rest of the day.

That night a thief broke in and started stealing stuff. He stole a box of jewelry and all the wood. He took the rope to tie up his bag. When the thief dropped the bag the rope fell off and flew to Mike's room and woke him up. Mike jumped up when he felt the tugging on his shirt and the bag falling to the floor. He crawled on the floor and then jumped at him. He knocked the thief on the ground. The magic rope tied the thief up and Mike called the police. When the police got there they took the thief away.

But Mike could not find the rope. He did not know where it was. The next morning he went looking for it. The problem was he couldn't find the rope for a mile — and it had babies. So Mike took them all home and made another room for the magic rope and his babies.

Mark Kapnick

Mrs. Feldhauser's 5th grade
Strange Places

Strange places make me feel weird. It would be freaky... scary, too! You might see ghosts, spiders, bugs, and other stuff. I get shaky, goosebumps, and chills. I feel like something is going to grab me or sneak up on me and scare me out of my wits. Yikes!!!

Eagles to host Wertz Warriors

The Grayling Eagles Aerie 3465 will be hosting the Wertz Warriors for a spaghetti dinner to be held Tuesday, Feb. 8, from 6 to 8 p.m. Up to 80 members of the famous snowmobile group will be stopping in Grayling during their 925-mile trek through Michigan to raise money for Special Olympics.

This is the second year the Grayling Eagles will host the Wertz Warriors. Last year, \$700 was contributed to the Warriors for Special Olympics.

The spaghetti dinner is open to the public and the cost is \$3 per person. Live music is being contributed by "Young Country."

GRA offers indoor soccer league

The Grayling Recreation Authority is offering indoor soccer for all boys and girls in kindergarten through fourth grade.

The leagues will be organized by grades according to the number of players registered in each grade. All players will receive a team t-shirt, play eight games, a team picture, a participation award and a season-end party.

The games will be played on Saturdays at the Hanson Hills Recreation Area, with the first game/practice being held on Saturday, Feb. 26.

The Grayling Recreation Authority will need volunteer coaches for this program. Registration forms will be sent home with the children through school or register at Hanson Hills.

The registration deadline will be Friday, Feb. 18.

Chuck Silk

Mrs. Fagerlie's 5th grade
The Rich Box

Once upon a time there was a box. It belonged to Chuck Silk. It was called the rich box. Every time you put money in it, it made more money. One day a poor man was walking down the sidewalk. He saw the box so he stole it out of Chuck's yard because it was big and he wanted to sleep in it so he would be out of the rain. Over night he slept in it. A penny dropped out of his pocket. When morning came he found out he had money — lots of money. So he bought a house with the money. He kept putting money in the box and kept getting richer, richer and richer. The whole New York City found out and he was getting robbed at night — getting robbed every night so he could only think of one thing to do — give the box back to the boy.

The next morning he went to Chuck's house and gave him the box back again. So they lived happily ever after.



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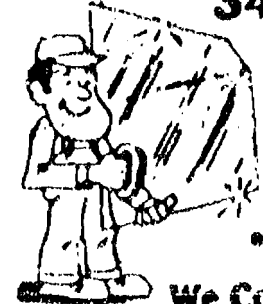
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By Joe Murphy

House of Memories

I walk past the house where I was born
A long time ago on a September morn
And my old mind starts spinning its gears
Bring forth a lot of memories of bygone years

Within those walls I knew the joy
Of a healthy, well loved little boy
Two parents who had time to teach and care
In a way to make my life so happy there

Down this very same sidewalk I used to run
When at long last my school day was done
Knowing mom would be baking bread that day
There would be warm rolls and jam before I went to play

With a full belly my evening chores were soon done
Then grabbing my old cane pole for the river I'd run
For when I stopped at the store I'd heard them say
That the hatchery truck had been in town that day

Those hatchery trout weren't much good to eat
But at being ready to bite they couldn't be beat
I fill my stringer and take them home
Glad that I would not have to eat them alone

There in the twilight mom would be waiting by the door
Ready to clean those fish in those days of yore
Then supper and homework then off to bed
Where dreams of monster trout would fill my head

The old house still stands but my loved ones are gone
But still their memory lingers on
But the day will come in heaven above
When I will once more feel their care and love



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PET CARE TIPS

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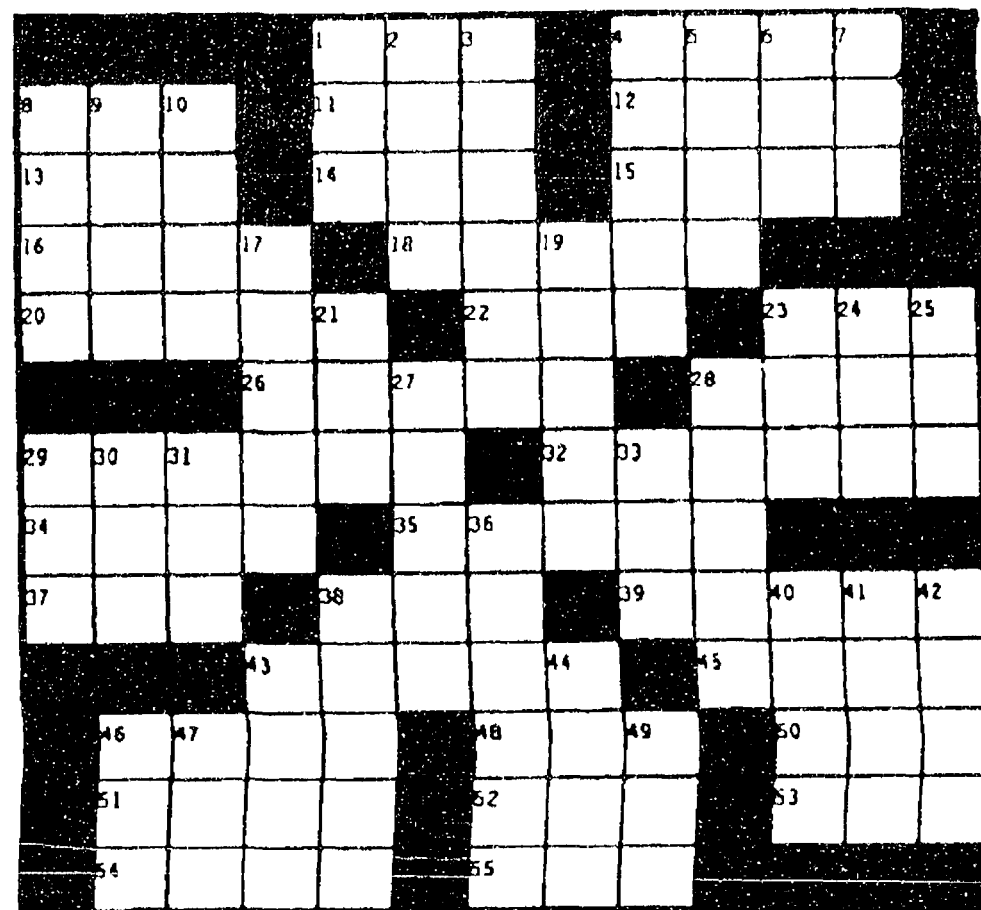
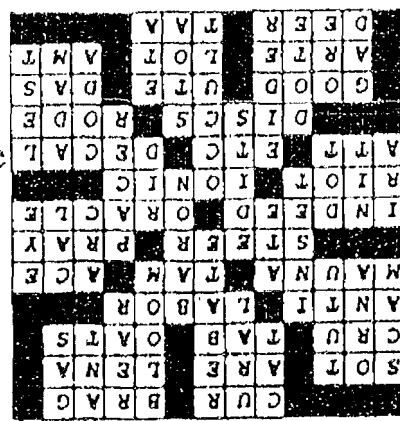
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PISCES

Feb 19-March 20

A promotion may be on the drawing board. Look sharp. Volunteer for additional training. Your health is everything. Don't take it for granted. When was the last time you had a dental, medical or optometric checkup? Losing weight may not be as easy for you as for some of your peers, but it is just as necessary. Watch your diet. Focus on educational goals and career aspirations. Where DO you want to be in ten years? Significant business gains will come easily with the right backing. Disregard an early slump in insignificant areas. Travel may be on the agenda, but not for you. Expect company or distant friend to suddenly appear without warning. Love blooms. Time to pop the question. You will receive the answer you desire if you act now. Holding a grudge will hurt no one but you. Forgive and forget and get on with your life. Flexibility is the key. Don't hold on to outdated concepts or YOU may become outdated. Liven up the long Winter with some lively entertainment at home. Invite everyone to whom you "owe" an invitation. A child may be having difficulties. Listen carefully before taking any actions; he needs more guidance than punishment. A new acquaintance inadvertently remind you of forgotten dreams. Give them a second chance.

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 years ago

February 4, 1971

Buried cars was the scene around Grayling, following the storm-lashed week that hit the area early Tuesday morning and lasted through Saturday. Schools were closed both Tuesday and Wednesday. Bear Archery personnel were sent home Tuesday afternoon, and the night shift was called off.

The storm was one of the worst to hit Michigan in years, as roads were closed throughout the county, and I-75 expressway was drifted in to the north. Temperatures have been in the below zero mark, with an unofficial report Monday morning of 34 below.

Thursday, Jan. 28, the Viking ski teams played host to a down-state team and showed that the north still dominates the skiing in the state.

Waterford Township skied two boys teams and one girls team against the Vikings and failed to win any event.

Robert Stephan is a patient at Munson Hospital, Traverse City, after having undergone eye surgery in an attempt to save his left eye, which was injured in an accident on Wednesday morning, Jan. 27.

Bob was shoveling sand under the tires of a county truck, which was stuck on a secondary road off the North Down River Road, when the shovel handle broke and flew back hitting him in the eye. He was rushed to the emergency room at Mercy Hospital and then taken right to Munson where surgery was performed, according to his wife, Evelyn.

Courthouse Square



MAYBE YOU HEARD ABOUT THE NIGHT ORDERLY AT THE HOSPITAL WHO WAS ARRESTED FOR PAN HANDLING!

Patricia Christian of Grayling, is making her first appearance as mistress of ceremonies, at the Miss Michigan Winter Sports Pageant.

Patricia was Miss Grayling of 1970, and went on to place as first runner-up in the 1970 Miss Michigan Winter Sports Pageant. Patricia is presently a freshman at Central Michigan University majoring in drama and speech, where she is currently a finalist in the Miss Central Michigan University Pageant.

Jesse W. Bennett, Sr. of Wakeley Bridge Road celebrated his 75th birthday on Jan. 27, with a dinner at home for family and friends. Present were their two sons, Jess, Jr. and Fred Bennett and their families from Utica, Mr. and Mrs. Harold McNical from California, and Wayne Andrews and daughter, Stephanie. Mrs. Andrews, who is a granddaughter of the Bennetts, was unable to attend as she was on duty at Mercy Hospital.

Sheriff's police in northern Michigan have taken to snowmobiles to help control crime in areas they can't reach by normal means of patrol. Near Grayling, the sheriff's department has reduced incidents of breaking and entering isolated cabins in the town's roadless areas areas by 40 percent since it put its Ski-Whiz snowmobile to work.

46 years ago

February 5, 1948

An active Archery Club with 75 members to start with, was the result of 225 interested men, women and children attending an archery exhibition and meeting at the warming house at the Grayling Winter Sports Park Monday evening.

Fred R. Welsh and Charles E. Moore were in Marquette recently, where they completed arrangements dissolving the partnership of the Welsh & Gannon Lumber Company Saw and Planing Mills. Mr. Welsh sold his interest to Leo F. Gannon, who will continue to operate the business.

Two Grayling mittsters came back from the Boyne City Golden Gloves Tournament as champions of their class and have earned the right to fight in the state finals at Grand Rapids later this month. Delbert Case, welterweight, and Jim Kolka, light-heavyweight, were awarded golden statuettes in token of their championship.

As Arthur C. Elmer, director of Michigan's parks and recreation for the Michigan Conservation Department placed the golden crown on the head of Miss Geneva Avery of

Lovells, who is Miss Grayling Winter Sports of 1948, the climax of the Grayling park's biggest week thus far was reached. About 2,000 people filled the park on Sunday for the winter sports events and coronation on the exquisitely beautiful ice throne constructed by John Dockrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Hartman, Mr. and Mrs. B. Steckling and Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Gilbert enjoyed a smelt fishing party last Monday evening at Smetlania on Lake Charlevoix.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Guy Felman of Midland. He has been named Jerry Lee. Mrs. Felman is the former Donna Mae Millikin.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wade returned Sunday from Toledo where they had visited for several days.

Mrs. Willard Cornell entertained the Saturday Bridge Club at their last meeting. All members were present for the first time since the club resumed in the fall. During the business meeting, which preceded the afternoon play, a new member, Mrs. Ella Wilcox was voted into the club. Mrs. Roy Milnes had the high score for the afternoon. The next meeting will be a potluck dinner on Sunday evening at the Harold Cliff residence at Lake Margarethe.

Les Hunter spent several days last week at Grand Rapids attending the Fridgidaire school. This school keeps all ice cream dealers up to date on service and maintenance of ice cream equipment.

Mrs. Lee Widman left Sunday to spend several days in Lansing visiting her mother, Mrs. Bertha Hurst.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Horning and daughter, Miss Gail, and her guest of Northville, spent the weekend here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cliff.

Mrs. Leo Jorgenson entertained her bridge club on Jan. 23. Mrs. Ernest Borchers and Mrs. Wilfred Laurant held high scores. Mrs. Eugene Papendick was a guest. Mrs. Laurant was hostess to the group on Jan. 30. Mrs. Papendick and Mrs. Geo. Granger were guests. Mrs. Papendick and Mrs. John Mallinger held high score. Mrs. Granger was presented with a farewell gift from the group.

Mrs. Alfred Sorenson entertained 24 young folks Friday afternoon in celebration of the birthday of her daughter, Denise. A pink and white color scheme was used for the party favors and the cake. Games were enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ferguson are the proud parents of a baby girl who arrived Jan. 21. She will be known as Linda Lou.

Miss Jean Shevalier and Mary Ellen Beausheu of Dearborn spent the weekend here with the Charles Madills. Miss Beausheu had a surprise visit with her cousin, Dick Shawl.

69 years ago

February 5, 1925

Teddy Sivrais of Cheboygan is spending a few days visiting his parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. N.W. Colbath have gone to Newberry to spend the winter months with their daughter and family, who reside there.

Misses Claribelle Lovely and Helen Ziebell have returned home from Big Rapids, having completed a three months business course at Ferris Institute.

Word has been received by relatives and friends of the birth of a son, Lee Clair, on Wednesday, Jan. 21, to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Place (Flora Borchers) of Los Angeles, CA.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Klingensmith of Sheffield, PA, announce the engagement of their daughter, Lola Mae, to Harry J. Hedges, the wedding to take place in the early part of June.

Mrs. Oliver Cody entertained at her home Thursday evening with a delightful card party in honor of Mrs. Frank Karnes, who will leave soon to reside in Flint.

Ray Owens of Detroit, was in Grayling on business Tuesday and while here visited his sister, Mrs. Holger Schmidt.

Several friends of Mr. and Mrs. Axel LaGrow dropped in on them Thursday evening of last week reminding them that they had been wed 31 years on that day.

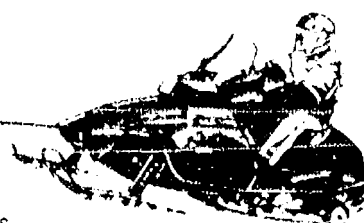
In the Frank Dreese ad men's underwear, fleeced lined, two piece, 98¢; mackinaws "Soo," \$10.75; sheep lined duck coats, \$7.75; overcoats, \$12.85 and \$18.85; men's all rubber arctics, 14 cyclelet were \$4.50, now \$2.45. Fordor Ford Sedans by Burke, \$660; touring car, \$290. Buick is featuring 4-wheel brakes, safety tube to insure continuous oil flow, automatic carburetor heat control.

Interested folks in Grayling are working to have a normal school established. T. E. Johnson, secretary, State Board of Education, in a letter to Marius Hanson states, "I don't know as yet that the normal school will be established. The matter has not yet been presented to the legislature but should it be, I am sure that whoever has charge will be very glad to give Grayling a chance to present its claims.

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EIGHT FEET OF THANKS—Grayling Subway owner Eugene and Betty McDaniels delivered an 8-foot submarine sandwich to the Shawono Center in appreciation for all the boys do for the community. The Ole Dam Road Party Store furnished the Mountain Dew and the Shawono Advisory Board brought the rest of the goodies for the group.

BITS OF TALK

by Fay Bovee

Dr. Linda Knibbs and Mike Brady of Chicago, Michael and Nancy Elliott and son, Michael Ryan, of Ann Arbor, and Holly Knibbs of Traverse City spent the weekend with their mother, Mary Jane Knibbs. Jim and Cindy Knibbs of Petoskey stopped over on Sunday for dinner and to visit their family. They were enroute home to Petoskey from the southern part of the state.

We had a most enjoyable telephone visit with Ethel Taylor Pierce from N. Abington, MA, last week. She had called to confirm the fact that her grandfather, Adelbert Taylor, was indeed a Civil War veteran and that he was buried in the family plot in the old section of Elmwood Cemetery.

We're still looking for a couple of Civil War veterans in the old section of the cemetery and we'll have another article on that very shortly.

Another one of Grayling's landmarks was taken down a couple of weeks ago. The old Hunter's Dairy building that stood on the business loop was taken down in one day and nothing remains but an empty lot. After the dairy went out of business, it became the Montgomery Wards order store for several years.

Although it seems a bit cold for much outdoor construction, there seems to be projects going on. The Dr. William Dean office is undergoing a major facelift and the old Fred Welsh home which later became the Truettner home on Michigan Avenue is having some new siding installed. There have

HONORS LIST

Susan E. Maples, Mitchell L. McMillan, and Allen J. Morford, all of Grayling, were named to Central Michigan University's fall semester honors list. Students must have completed 12 or more letter-graded hours of on-campus credit and earned semester averages placing them in the top ten percent of their classes to achieve this honor.

Sara Bobenmoyer of Grayling, was named to the Dean's List at Valparaiso University in Indiana. Bobenmoyer achieved this honor for the fall semester 1993.

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KCC offers seminars

Kirtland Community College (KCC) will be offering a wide variety of community services/non-credit courses during the months of February.

On Friday, Feb. 11, students will learn about disk operating systems during an "Introduction to DOS A" seminar. This seminar will be held from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. and will cost \$39 per person. The last computer course in this series will be held on Friday, Feb. 25, when Microsoft Works will be offered from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Cost is \$39 per person. Individuals may take one or all seminars.

Those interested in learning more about Russia and her people may do so in a February series. Russian/Soviet Women will be held on Wednesday evening, Feb. 2, from 6-8 p.m.

"Paradoxes of the Socialist Economy" will be offered on Wednesday, Feb. 9, from 6-8 p.m. On Wednesday, Feb. 16, "Democracy In

the Russian Political Tradition" will be held from 6-8 p.m. "Economic Despair and Hope in Russia" will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 23 from 6-8 p.m.

Each session is \$12 per person. Cake Decorating will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday evening, Feb. 3 and 10. Cost for this four-hour (two hours, two days) seminar is \$18 per person.

All of these courses are non-credit, adult-interested type courses. For further information or to register, contact the Kirtland Community Services Office at (517) 275-5121, extension 210.

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been several other homes during the late summer and fall that have been resided—the Jackie Lepsy home on Maple Street, the Jim Kolka home on Maple and Ionia, and the Bob Annis home on Park and Vine. They have become most attractive places.

Are you interested in the history of Grayling and Crawford County? Did you know that there are a dozen oral history tapes on loan at the Grayling County Library? Some long-time residents have been interviewed by Rose Duley Gleason and her husband, Mike, and given to the library as a memorial to her late husband, Jim Duley. They are most interesting and if you have been a long-time resident you will be reminded of some things that you probably have forgotten. If you have not been a long-time resident

you may find it fascinating to learn about some of the places and events that took place here many years ago. Grayling has changed greatly in the past 90 years that some of these old-timers have been remembering.

MILITARY NEWS

Army Pvt. Amy E. Vandecar has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, SC.

During the training, she received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, mapreading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, firstaid, and Army history and traditions.

Vandecar is the daughter of Terry L. and Kelly Vandecar of Grayling.

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AREA SPORTS

Grayling Winter Challenge attracts top snow dragsters



WORKING IN THE PITS--During a pre-race tuneup, a pit mechanic prepares his team's machine for the start of racing. Two hundred fifty-four racers entered the two-day event sponsored by the Greater Grayling Snowmobile Association.

Beaver Creek Nordic Challenge, Feb. 6, at Higgins Lake St. Park

The fourteenth annual Beaver Creek Challenge nordic ski races will take place at North Higgins Lake State Park on Sunday, Feb. 6. In last year's races 220 skiers competed for prizes in age categories in 2K, 6K, and 12K races.

Race day registration begins at the park at 10:30 a.m. with the 2K race scheduled to begin at noon, the 6K at 12:30 p.m., and the 12K at 1 p.m.

The race is sponsored by Georgia-Pacific Corporation, the AuSable Valley Nordic Ski Club (AVNSC), and the North Higgins Lake State Park. All age divisions will receive plaques for first, second, and third place

finishers and all kids will receive ribbons. The first 175 adult entrants will also receive Beaver Creek Challenge T-shirts.

An awards ceremony with food, refreshments, and door prizes will be held at the end of the 12K.

Race organizer Brian Reicks of the AVNSC said the Beaver Creek Challenge is held to promote cross-country skiing in the area for exercise, as a hobby, and a fun family oriented activity.

For information on the race contact Brian Reicks at 821-8244, or call the Cross Country Ski Shop at 348-8558.

By Terry Wright
Staff Writer

The roar of the massive engines has moved on to another race. The wind has drifted the snow over the smooth track. Fishermen in wooden shanties have reclaimed the ice. Lake Margarethe is again quiet and serene, as it was before the first annual Grayling Winter Challenge snowmobile drag races.

For two brief days in January, the Lake was the hub of the snowmobile world, as more than 200 racers, their machines, their crews, an organizational team of dozens, and hundreds of spectators took part in the largest winter event in our area in many years.

Gary Molina, vice president of the Michigan Snowmobile Drag Racing Association (MSDRA), the sanctioning body of the Grayling Winter Challenge said, "It went very, very well. The organizers and volunteers were easy to work with and they did a very good job, especially for the first year."

"The racers loved the area," Molina added.

Grayling resident Jeff Osga of J & J Racing said, "I heard no complaints at all. The track was in decent shape and

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THEY'RE OFF AND FLYING--These snowmobile dragsters roar off the starting line in the first annual Grayling Winter Challenge snowmobile drag race held on Lake Margarethe. Racers came from across the Midwest to compete for more than \$4,000 in prizes and bonuses during the two day event.

Viking netters lose to Whittemore Cardinals

The Grayling Varsity volleyball team was unable to defend their home court against the Whittemore-Prescott Cardinals on Jan. 25.

Viking netters lost the first and final games of the three games match, 8-15 and 1-15, respectively. But the Cardinals could not complete the sweep, with the Vikes winning the second game, 16-14.

The win in the second game was important for the home team because of rule changes for this season. Teams

no longer play a best-of-five games to determine a match winner, but score points for each game a squad wins. Matches are limited to three games.

Teams will play each other only once, with placing depending on the total points of games won during the season, plus games won during the league tournament on Saturday, Feb. 26.

"Beating Whittemore-Prescott in Game 2 was very gratifying for the

team," said Grayling Coach Rebecca Brown. "The win against the favored Whittemore team shows that when we work together and work hard, we can compete with anyone."

Jaime Andrus led the Viking attack, with a team-high 17 spikes. She also recorded 23 passes and two tips. Mandeel Mleek and Amy Neal both hit for 12 spikes. Neal led the defensive effort at the net with eight blocks.

Carol Lanczy recorded a strong overall effort with 26 passes, 10 spikes,

seven blocks and three tips. Jenny Fassinger led the Grayling squad with 33 passes.

"We gave a solid performance against a strong, tall Cardinal team," Brown said. "We had a variety of attacks during long rallies, good defensive movement and strong serving, especially from Lanczy."

The Viking netters next take to the court when they travel to Charlevoix, home of the Red Raiders, on Monday, Feb. 7.

Vikings defeat rival Bucks, 69-62

By Terry Wright
Staff Writer

Rebounding from their first loss of the season in Petoskey, the Grayling Viking varsity mens basketball team got back on the winning track with a nail-biting 69-62 victory over the Roscommon Bucks on Jan. 25.

It was a close game from the initial tipoff, with the lead changing hands many times. At the end of the first quarter the Vikes led by two-points. At the half, Roscommon led by one. In the third quarter, the Bucks built up a five-point lead, only to see it vanish to a six-point deficit as the quarter ended.

The same problems that have haunted the Vikes in previous games, foul trouble and turnovers, kept them from pulling away with a commanding lead.

Grayling extended its lead to nine points in the fourth, but the Bucks refused to fold, roaring back to tie the

game with just under five minutes remaining.

With only 44 ticks left on the clock and a Grayling lead of one-point, the Bucks' press broke down, leading to three fouls. Senior Viking Tim Donohoe hit three of three and senior Kris Andersen hit a single free throw extending the Vikings lead to five. Another Viking score from the field in the final seconds finished the night for the Bucks.

"We played better than we did in the last two games," Coach Tom Mills said, "but we still didn't have fluidity. We're in a mid-season slump."

Senior Kris Andersen led the Viking scorers tossing in 21 points. Junior Ben Croze added 18 points and blocked five Roscommon shots.

"Our bench played very well," Mills added. "They gave us some good, clutch playing time."

The Vikings were scheduled to travel

to Rogers City on Friday, Jan. 28 for an important Huron Division matchup with the Rogers City Hurons, but winter ice and snow cancelled that and most other games in northern Michigan. That game has been rescheduled for Monday, Feb. 7.

On Tuesday, Feb. 1, the Vikings

visited Kalkaska for a rematch with the Blue Blazers, and on Friday, Feb. 4, the Vikes face the Onaway Cardinals in Onaway.

"Onaway is fighting for second place in the conference," Mills said. "If we can beat them again, I think the conference is ours."

Great Northern Conference, Huron Shores Division, varsity basketball standings as of Feb. 1, 1994.

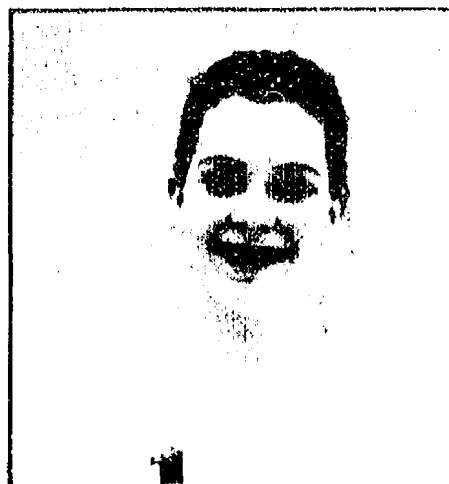
Team	Conference	Overall
Grayling	3-0	8-1
Onaway	2-2	6-5
Rogers City	1-2	5-5
Lincoln-Alcona	1-2	5-5
Whittemore-Prescott	1-2	4-5



VIKING JUNIOR BEN CROZE TOSSES IN A JUMPER--Postman Ben Croze was a team leader on both offense and defense in the Viking's win over Roscommon. Croze helped deliver the win with 18 points on offense and five blocked shots on defense.

GRAYLING

Holiday Inn Vikings Of The Week



Carol Lanczy
Volleyball

This junior was chosen for her all around effort in leading her team against Whittemore-Prescott.



Erin Welke
Skiing

This junior led the Viking girls against Clare by placing fourth in slalom and third in giant slalom.

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the race came off pretty well. I heard racers say they want to come back next year. They were pleased with the prize money."

Not only were the participants generally pleased with the race and the prize money, local business owners praised the race also.

Dennis Rochette of Rochette's IGA said business was good during the race

weekend.

"There were a lot of people around town," Rochette said. "We sold a lot more of everything."

Anna Marie Bishop, manager of Western Trails Motel agreed, "I think business was up all over town. The race was good for the area economy."

The race was organized by the Greater Grayling Snowmobile Association (GGSa) and sponsored

in part by the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce and the Grayling Area Visitor's Council. Each donated money making the purse the largest on the Michigan drag racing circuit.

Chamber and Visitor's Council Director, Deb Allen said her Board of Directors were very pleased with the turnout for the race and how well the race was organized.

"Motel owners have told me how nice the racers were," Allen said, "and how pleased they were with the town."

Allen said the Chamber is in the process of surveying local businesses to determine what kind of an impact the race had on the economy.

Richard Filley, a board member of the GGSa and a main organizer of this year's race said he is willing and anxious to do it all over again next year.

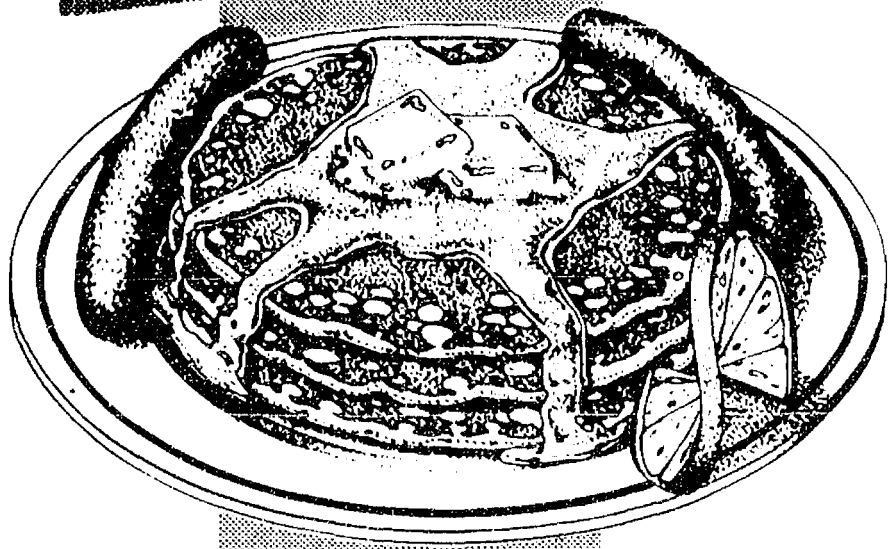
A complete list of race winners in each category follows:

Saturday	Sunday
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Dan Kelly, Reese	A Stock Dan Kelly, Reese
Andy Ponstein, Wyoming	B Stock Andy Ponstein, Wyoming
Ann Walter, Lewiston	C Stock Ann Walter, Lewiston
Dan Kelly, Reese	Top Stock Dan Kelly, Reese
Lynn Martin, Lansing	Featured Stock Lynn Martin, Lansing
Lori Sagert, Utica	AA Improved Steve Hugenell, Hillsdale
Steve Hugenell, Hillsdale	A Improved Steve Hugenell, Hillsdale
Bob Beuthin, Lake Ann	B Improved Bob Beuthin, Lake Ann
Todd Schultz, Reese	C Improved Todd Schultz, Reese
Bob Quigley, Milford	Open Improved Bob Quigley, Milford
Darrell Adams, Homer	Pro Stock 500 Darrell Adams, Homer
Bryan Bellman, Bremen, IN.	Pro Stock 585 Bryan Bellman, Bremen, IN.
Doug Edwards, Grafton, OH.	Pro Stock 655 Andy Ponstein, Wyoming
Doug Edwards, Grafton, OH.	Pro Stock 800 Doug Edwards, Grafton, OH.
Doug Edwards, Grafton, OH.	Pro Stock Open Doug Edwards, Grafton, OH.
Buddy Wentz Jr., Alliance, OH.	340 HVY Jay Osga, Grayling
Andy Ponstein, Wyoming	440 HVY Rusty Lyke, Clark Lake
Ryan Bierlein, Saginaw	540 HVY Ryan Bierlein, Saginaw
Rusty Lyke, Clark Lake	585 HVY Ryan Bierlein, Saginaw
Mike Wasco, Saginaw	600 HVY Mike Wasco, Saginaw

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Grayling Youth Booster Club Lumber Jack Breakfast

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Jr. Viking netters defeated

An extended vacation from action was not what the doctor ordered for the Grayling Junior Varsity volleyball team, as they dropped three games to the visiting Whittemore-Prescott Cardinals on Jan. 26.

The Grayling netters lost on their home floor by scores of 9-15, 6-15 and 1-15.

"Not playing in two and a half weeks hurts us," said JV Coach Michelle Moore. "We made mistakes that hurt us."

"Our passing percentage was terrible. If you can't pass well, then you can't attack, which is how you win games," she added.

Brooke Blaauw led the Vikings with 23 passes and six spikes. Monica Lawrence recorded 11 sets and five serves. Trisha Ormsbee and Jennifer Wejrowski hit for nine and six serves, respectively.

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Viking boys ski past Clare, girls defeated on Hanson Hills slopes

By Terry Wright
Staff Writer

The new racing facilities at Hanson Hills were good to the Viking boys' skiers on Wednesday, Jan. 26, as the "A" team defeated Clare 30-43, and the "B" team prevailed, 36-39. The Viking girls didn't fare as well, falling to the Clare girls 48-24.

The top racers for the boys were seniors Mike Hartman, placing first in both slalom and giant-slalom, Jon Noteware, second in slalom and fourth in GS, and Jason Blaine, who placed fifth in slalom and sixth in GS.

Sophomore Ryan Schlehuber placed 11th in slalom and third in GS and, classmate Ben Labo was eighth in both races. Freshman Travis Hopp placed 12th in slalom.

For the girls, junior Erin Welke led the Vikings, placing fourth in slalom and third in GS. Senior Jessica McClain placed fifth in slalom and sixth in GS. Senior Jenni Evans places seventh in both races and sophomore

Jessica Wyss placed eighth in both. Freshman Jennifer Jurkovich was 10th in slalom and 11th in GS and junior Kim Haske placed 11th in slalom and 12th in GS.

The Vikes take on the Harbor Springs Rams on Thursday, Feb. 3 at Boyne Mountain, then return home to host Roscommon and Harrison at Hanson Hills on Friday, Feb. 4.

Winter Challenge snowmobile race results.....continued from page 2B

Mike Wasco, Bierlein	800 HVY	Jamie Bellman, Breman, IN.
Bill Cudney, Blenheim, ONT.	1000 HVY	Bill Cudney, Blenheim, ONT.
Dan Lash, Marysville	660 Factory Mod	Dan Lash, Marysville
Matt Fish, Clark Lake	340 Open	Sarah Osga, Grayling
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Spray Shot Suns	5-1
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The officers and directors of the "Greater Grayling Snowmobile Association" would like to take this time to thank all of the individuals and businesses that generously donated materials, time and an incredible amount of good old fashioned man power to make the first annual "Grayling Winter Challenge" Snowmobile Drag Race an overwhelming success:

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To all of the individuals; too numerous to name, (you and I know who you are) that came out and worked countless hours in severe weather conditions to make this event happen, you are the reason this race went off so well.

Words cannot express my appreciation to you guys for the way you put your hearts into this project. You made it happen "BIG TIME"! You're the best.

Thanks Again,
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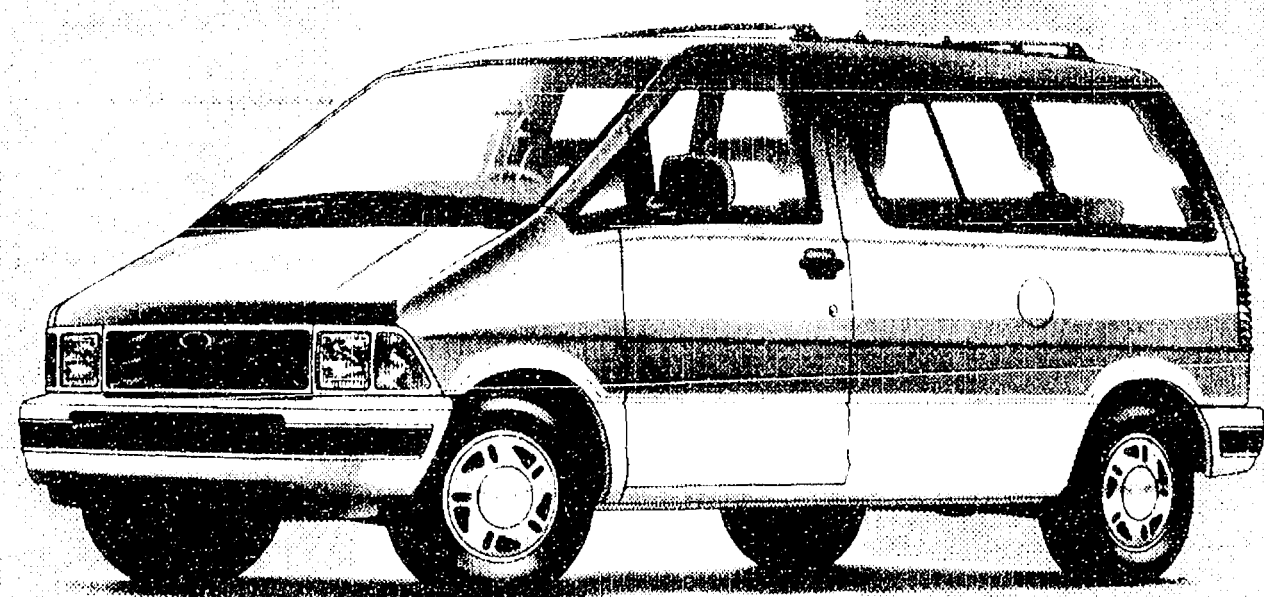
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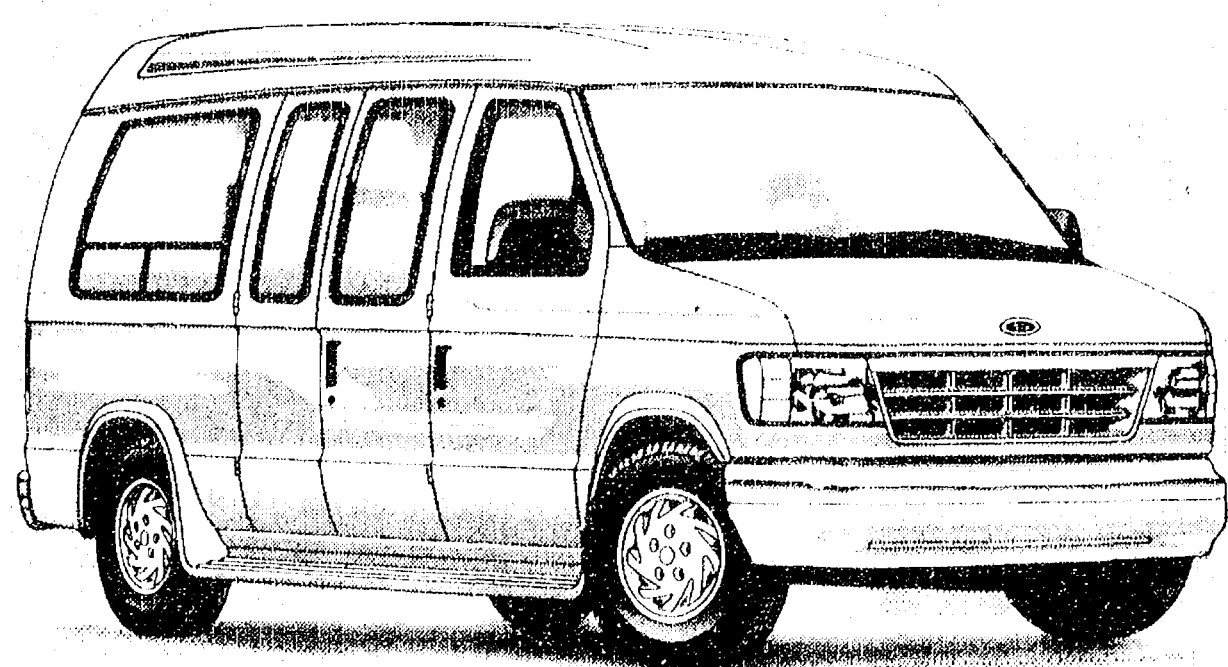
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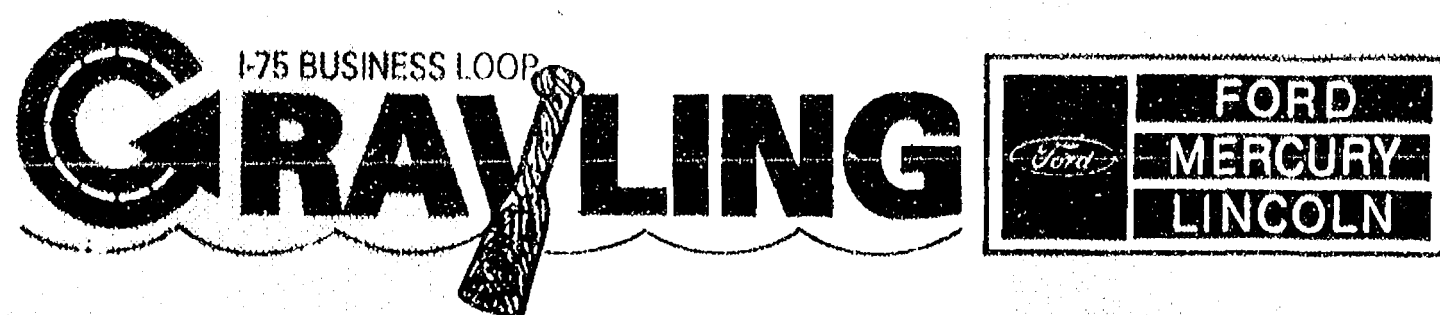
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Viking matmen place sixth in Northwest MI. Championship

By Terry Wright
Staff Writer

Coach Don Ferguson took his Grayling High School wrestling squad to Gaylord on Saturday, Jan. 29 to compete at the Northwest Michigan Championship wrestling tournament.

Nineteen teams competed from all over the north, with Traverse City High School taking the championship, collecting 203-team points. Grayling finished the tournament in sixth place with 91 points behind Traverse City,

203, Ogemaw Heights, 177, Gladstone, 168.5, Petoskey, 132, and Rogers City, 117.

Viking seniors Brent Kernstock (189-pound weight class) and Jerry Weaver (152) both placed second. Senior Brian Robinson (152) and Sophomore newcomer Dale Kniss (189) each placed sixth. Junior Lowell Bindschattel also scored points for the Vikings.

"This was a good tournament," Ferguson said. "It showed us that we

need to work harder to get better. We need to get primed for the conference and state meets now. In his first tournament Dale Kniss did really well. I was very pleased with his performance."

On Thursday, Feb. 3, the Vikings host the matmen from Roscommon and Houghton Lake in the GHS gymnasium. On Saturday, Feb. 5, the Vikings travel to the Whittemore-Prescott Invitational.

Hanson hosts Special Olympics

One hundred thirty-five athletes from Roscommon, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Crawford, and western Missaukee counties converged on the Hanson Hills Recreation Area on Tuesday, Jan. 25 to compete in the Winter Special Olympics.

A special Michigan National Guard color guard unit presented the American flag during opening ceremonies as each contestant recited the special olympics oath. "Let me win, but if I cannot win let me be brave

in the attempt."

Olympians competed in snowshoeing, nordic skiing, and both slalom and giant-slalom downhill skiing. All athletes received ribbons for their participation.

Volunteers giving their time to help were members of the Fraternal Order of Moose from lodges in Grayling, West Branch and Skidway Lake. Boys from Shawano Center assisted for the fifth year in the snowshoeing event.

Competing athletes are required to

practice for a total of at least a month, and those winning and going on to the state olympics must continue their practice for another month.

Crawford County will be well represented at the Michigan Winter Special Olympics by olympians Jerry Harris, Gary Daniels, Helen Millikin, Tom Ferguson, Joey Briggs, and Jake Haight.

The Michigan Winter Special Olympics will be held at Sugarloaf Mountain in Cedar on February 8-11.

Junior hoopsters lose to Rosco.

By Terry Wright
Staff Writer

In Grayling junior varsity basketball action last week, the Vikings dropped a game to the rival Roscommon Bucks by the score of 69-46.

The Bucks opened with a full court press that kept the Vikes off balance and left them trailing at the end of the first quarter 18-10.

In the second period, the Vikings lost their ability to find the hoop, scoring only four points while the

Bucks hit for 27.

The second half belonged to the Vikings, as they outscored their opponent, 32-24, but it was not enough to overcome the Buck lead.

JV Coach Butch Hayes said, "The second quarter put us in a big hole. Outplaying them in the second half, we still couldn't cut into their big lead."

The leading scorers for the Vikings were Andy Ignash with 11 points, while Travis Weaver, Joe Godlewski and

Andy Perrine each tossed in seven. Scott Hartman added six points.

Ignash led the rebounders pulling down eight boards, while Weaver collected seven.

The junior Vikings will make-up the game scheduled for Friday, Jan. 28, at Rogers City on Monday, Feb. 7. On Tuesday, Feb. 1, they travelled to Kalkaska and on Friday, Feb. 4, they will go to Onaway to take on the host Cardinals.

Hoopsters back on target

The Grayling seventh grade boys "B" basketball team ended a two-game losing streak by defeating area rival Roscommon, 51-24, on Jan. 26.

The visiting Vikings were led by Shane Colby, who hit for 14 points. Jeremy Jones added 11 points and Kevin Jansen hit for 10. Teammates Jeremy Millikin and Eric Hoffman scored seven and five points, respectively, with Lloyd Brady and Nathan Witt adding two points each.

"The key to this victory was we got back to playing ball as a team," said Coach John Smock. "This is the second time this team has hit the 50-point bracket this year."

"I was pleased with two things; very good defense and balanced scoring. As a coach, I can't stress enough the importance of good defense. Good defense leads to good offense, and the team did well at both," Smock said.

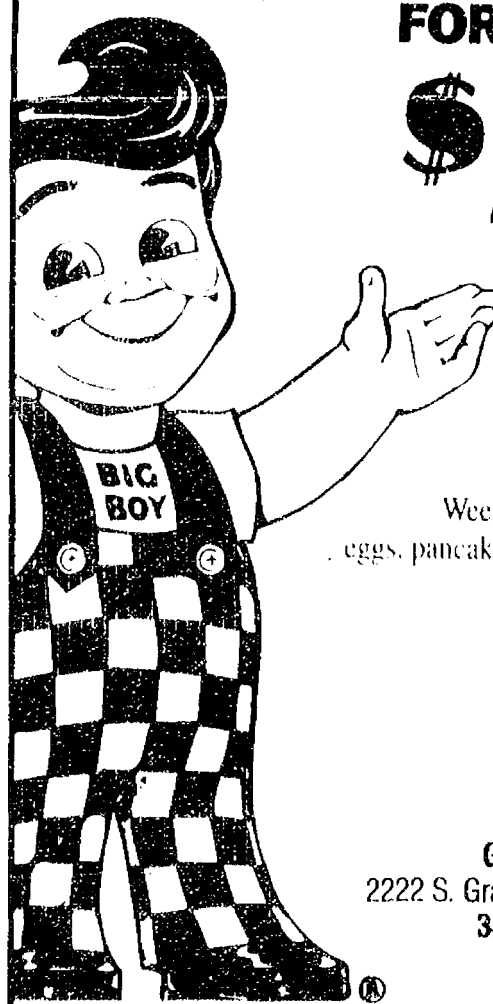
The young Vikings will next travel to West Branch to take on host St. Joseph on Feb. 7, and hitting the road again versus Kalkaska on Feb. 9. Games start at 6 p.m.

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G.R.A. POM SQUAD MEMBERS—Members of the G.R.A. Pom Squad "ham it up" before a middle school performance. Back row, left to right, Jaime Andrus, Mandee Mleek, Katie Smock and Jennie Evans; middle row, left to right, Sarah Woodland, Jessica Roy, Darcie McCurdy, and Suzy Lovely; front row, left to right, Sarah Furst, Carrie Wells, Amanda Bankert, and Jamie Evans. On Monday, Jan. 24, the pom squad performed *Beat It* and *Sesame Street* at the seventh and eighth grade basketball contests against Gaylord. This is the second year the girls chose to present themselves at the middle School level hoping to instigate enthusiasm and participation at lower grade levels. The squad normally performs at the varsity boys basketball games. Two high school performances remain this year, Feb. 1 and Feb. 18. (Photo by Cheryl Millikin)

MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUES

Men's Basketball League Standings

Spikes	4-0
GEO Signs-Swamp II	4-1
Holiday Inn	2-3
Weyerhaeuser	2-3
Dawn Donuts	0-5

Game #1. Holiday Inn, 49: Millikin, 13, Hamlin, 10, Trudgeon, 9, Hinkle, 8, Madill, 7, Coors, 2, Weyerhaeuser, 48: Kelly, 14, McEvers, 12, Pagel, 6, Contreras, 6, Pollen, 4, Trenary, 4, Roman, 2.

Game #2. GEO Signs-Swamp II, 82: White, 17, Junttila, 14, D. Bonamie, 11, Leask, 11, Tobin, 10, Cragg, 8, Bindshatell, 7, Beckwith, 4, Dawn Donuts, 42: Wolcott, 12, Parkinson, 10, R. Harland, 8, Wheeler, 5, Thompkins, 4, Malinowski, 2, J. Lange, 1.

Leading scorers: Kalahar, 19.3, Millikin, 15.8, Ruddy, 15.3, Patterson, 15.3, Doremire, 15.0, Trenary, 14.0, White, 13.2, Krey, 12.3, Junttila, 10.6, Hamlin, 10.4.

Three-point leaders: Patterson, 12, Kalahar, 9, Pollen, Wolcott, 8, Junttila, 7, D. Bonamie, Ruddy, 5.

Free throw %: Dean, Hartman, Pagel, Prosser, 100%, Wolcott, 88%, Rosenthal, 83%, Trenary, 77%, D. Bonamie, McEvers, 75%, Kalahar, 74%.

Foul leaders: Hull, Krey, 18, R. Harland, 16, Junttila, 15, Cragg, Smith, 12, Beckwith, Hamlin, Kelly, Thompkins, 11.

Team air: Dawn Donuts, 53, Holiday Inn, 41, GEO Signs-Swamp II, 34, Weyerhaeuser, 31, Spikes, 27.

Ausable Church Basketball League Standings

Free Methodist	1-0
St. Francis Episcopal	1-0
St. Mary's Roman Catholic	1-0
Grayling/Heritage Baptist	0-1
Michelson Methodist	0-1
St. Michael's Roman Catholic	0-1

Week #1. Free Methodist, 41, Michelson, 35; St. Francis Episcopal, 61, Grayling/Heritage Baptist, 36; St. Mary's Roman Catholic, 52, St. Michael's Roman Catholic, 50.

Send a Valentine's Greeting for the angel in your life

In the Avalanche's Tender Loving Classifieds

Husbands, wives, friends, children, parents, grandparents... anybody who deserves your affection deserves a Tender Loving Classified.

Your messages will appear in the classified section of the Avalanche on February 10th. All messages must be received at the Avalanche office no later than February 7th.

Here are some examples and prices...

GRAMPS SMITH. Roses are red, violets are blue, without your beard, it just isn't you. Happy Valentine's Day. Beth.
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Your message
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Happy Valentine's Day Boys



Love Mom & Dad

Your photo w/message
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PUBLIC NOTICE

To correct Section that was published on January 20 and January 27, 1994.

The Crawford County Road Commission will hold a public hearing at its regular meeting on February 11, 1994, at 11 am to consider the abandonment of the following platted 15 ft. alleyway. Interested parties may submit comments in writing and/or may speak at the hearing.

Section 8 of T26N, R4W, Block 2, Portage Lake Park, Lots 1 through 22 and 23 through 44.

Robert E. Nelson
-3-10

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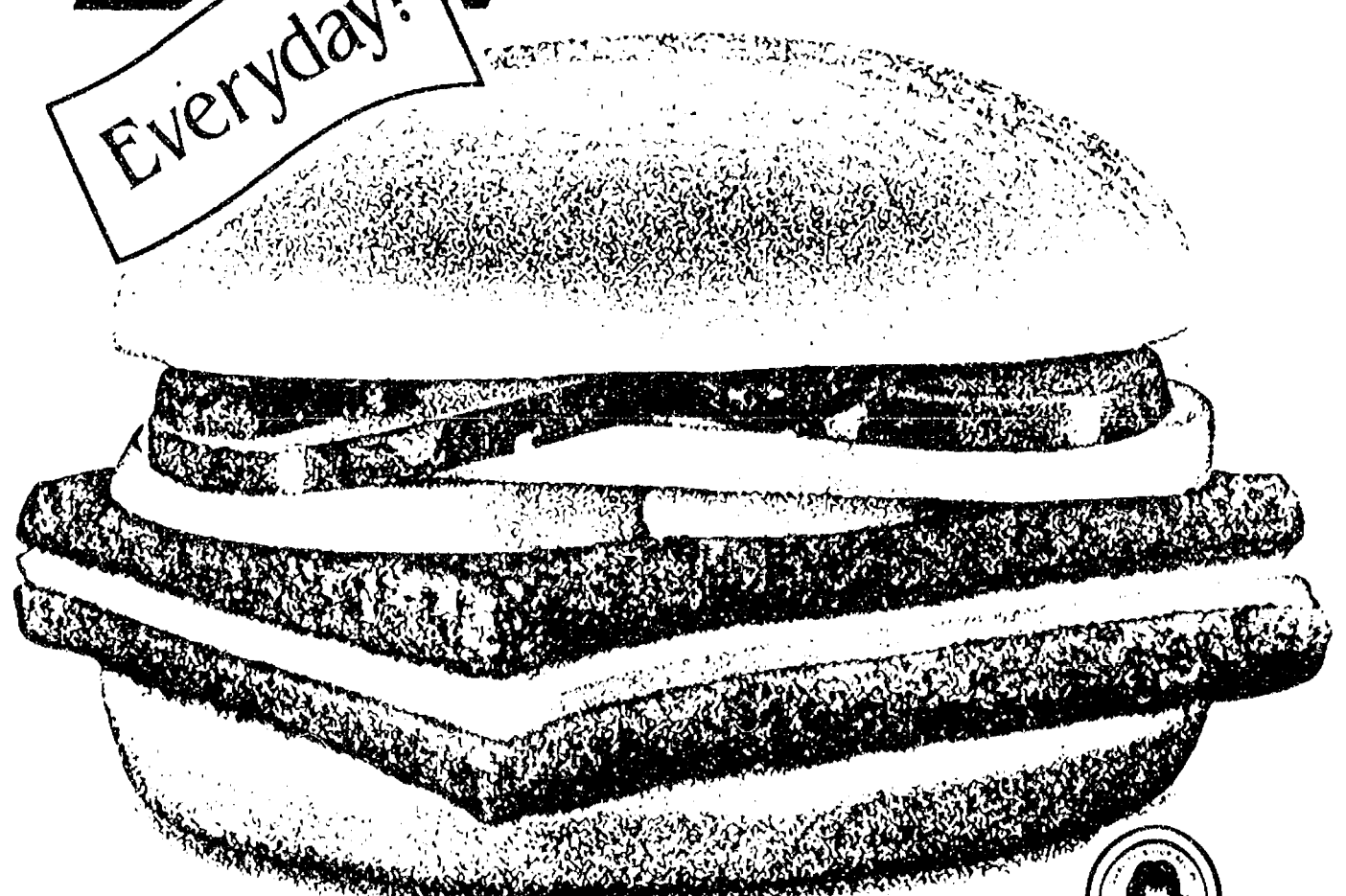
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LEGAL ACTION

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by RALPH HIESEL, JR. (a/k/a Ralph Hiesel) and CAROLYN HIESEL, husband and wife, of 113 Old Perry Road, Marshallville, Georgia, 31057, Mortgagee, to GRAYLING STATE BANK, a Michigan corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 29, 1992 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, on the 29th day of July, 1992, in Liber 345 of Mortgages, Page 526, Crawford County Records, on which there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$16,740.55, inclusive of attorney fees and costs.

As no suit or other legal proceedings have been filed to recover the debt secured by the mortgage; Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the State of Michigan, NOTICE is hereby given that on Wednesday, the 23rd day of February, 1994, at 10:30 o'clock a.m. the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder, at the main entrance to the Courthouse in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, of that premises described in the mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, on the mortgage, with interest thereon at the contract rate and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sums which may be paid by the mortgagee to protect its interest in the premises.

The premises are described as follows:
Situating in the Township of Beaver Creek, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, described as follows:
Commencing at the NW corner of the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 30, T25N, R3W, thence East 200 feet; thence South 400 feet; thence West 200 feet; thence North 400 feet to the P.O.B. containing 1.84 acres +/-.

The redemption period shall to six (6) months from the date of such sale.
Dated: January 13, 1994
Hodman, Longley & Dahling
By: Lawrence P. Hanson (P30373)

Attorneys for Mortgagee
229 Court Street, P.O. Box 405
Cheboygan, Michigan 49721
(616) 627-4351

-20-27-3-10-17

Legal Notice

TO: DONALD D. HOWSE, of Grayling, Michigan, owner, or owners of any and all interests in or liens upon the land herein described.

TAKE NOTICE: Sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deeds issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within 6 months after publication of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned, or the Treasurer of Crawford County, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchases, together with 50% in addition, and the cost of publication of this notice. If payment, as described in this notice, is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description of land:
Lot 34 Northern Heights, Lovells Township
014-400-000-034-00
Amount necessary to redeem \$291.90
Signed Eric D. and Christine S. Larson
Rt. 3, Box 3223
Grayling, Michigan 49738

-20-27-3-10

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE 83RD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. L & T-93-102
HERITAGE MARK FOUNDATION
Plaintiff,
v
JAMES E. BEAN and
MARY E. DUNCAN
Defendants.
SOTIROFF ABRAMCZYK & RAUSS, P.C.
By: Keith A. Sotiroff (P42904)

Attorneys for Plaintiff
30400 Telegraph Road, Ste 444
Bingham Farms, MI 48025-4541
(810) 642-6000

Hon. Francis L. Walsh

ORDER UNDER MCR 2.105(1) PERMITTING SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION UNDER MCR 2.106 UPON JAMES E. BEAN AND MARY E. DUNCAN AND ORDERING SAID DEFENDANTS TO ANSWER

At a session of said Court, held in the Courthouse, Roscommon, Michigan, on: THE 6TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1994.
PRESENT: HON. FRANCIS L. WALSH P21943

Plaintiff having filed its Complaint after land contract forfeiture, on which said land contract Plaintiff is the assignee of the sellers' interest and Defendants are the purchasers, and Plaintiff further having filed its Motion under MCR 2.105 (1) for an Order Permitting Service of Process by Publication under MCR 2.106 and for an Order to Answer, and the Court being fully advised in the premises;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of Keith A. Sotiroff, attorney for Plaintiff:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the Defendants James E. Bean and Mary E. Duncan shall answer or take such other action as may be permitted by law at the offices of the Clerk of this Court at P.O. Box 189, Room 120, County Building, Roscommon, Michigan 48653 on or before February 28, 1994, at 11:30 a.m. Failure to comply with this Order shall result in a Judgment by Default against said Defendants, which shall provide for recovery of possession by the Plaintiff of the following described real estate situated in the Township of Beaver Creek, County of Crawford and State of Michigan, to-wit:

The East 165.00 feet of the Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 12, Town 25 North, Range 3 West. Commonly known as: 770 Pere Cheney Road.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that service of process of this Order and of the Summonses and Complaint heretofore filed, may be made upon Defendants by publication of a copy of this Order once each week for three consecutive weeks in a newspaper in circulation in Crawford County, Michigan, and by sending a copy of this Order to the Defendants by certified mail, return

receipt requested, before the date of the last publication, and addressed to 770 Pere Cheney Road, Roscommon, Michigan 48653-9156.
DATED: JANUARY 6, 1994

Hon. Francis L. Walsh P21943
83rd District Court
County Building, Room #120
P.O. Box 189
Roscommon, Mich. 48653
(517) 275-5312
-20-27-3-10

SYNOPSIS Crawford County Board of Commissioners Organizational Meeting January 5, 1994

Meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners was called to order on 1-5-94 at 9:30 a.m. in the County Building, Grayling, MI. Commissioners present: Long, Goodale, Coy, McLachlan, Smock, and Mattis. County Clerk Elizabeth Wieland, present. There were two visitors present at various times.

IN FORMAL ACTION,

COMMISSIONERS:
—Elected Dennis Long as chairman and Bob McLachlan as vice-chairman.
—Set the Regular Meeting schedule: every other Wednesday starting 1-12-94 from 9:30 a.m. to noon and if necessary from 1 p.m. till finished.

—Appointed Goodale as the chairman of Ways & Means Committee.

—Appointed Smock as chairman of Personnel & Labor Committee.

—Amended the Crawford County Board of Commissioners Rules & Procedure Handbook.

—Approved payment of registration fees, lodging and expenses for members to attend the MAC Legislative Conference in Lansing.

—Adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

Full text of official minutes are on file in the Clerk's Office.

Elizabeth H. Wieland-County Clerk

SYNOPSIS Crawford County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting January 12, 1994

Meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners was called to order on 1-12-94 at 9:45 a.m. in the County Building, Grayling, MI. Commissioners present: Long, Goodale, Coy, McLachlan, and Smock. Mattis, excused. County Clerk Elizabeth Wieland, present. There were six visitors present at various times.

IN FORMAL ACTION,

COMMISSIONERS:
—Accepted the minutes of the 12-15-93

Regular Meeting as presented and the minutes of the 12-29-93 Regular Meeting with minor corrections.

—Approved payment of the following funds: General Fund Vouchers in the amount of \$179,604.48, GIFT-GEM Fund Vouchers in the amount of \$9,861.61, DARE Fund Vouchers in the amount of \$64.26, Remonumentation Fund Vouchers in the amount of \$13,665, Fish Hatchery Fund Vouchers in the amount of \$2.28, Capital Projects Fund Vouchers in the amount of \$20,275, and Commissioner's Per Diem as follows: Long, \$64; Goodale, \$64; Coy, \$64; McLachlan, \$64; Smock, \$64; and Mattis, \$64.
—Accepted nine pieces of communications.

—Authorized the Probate Juvenile Officer to purchase furniture for the holdovers site, which will be reimbursed by the state, not to exceed \$658.

—Approved registration fee of \$95 for the Clerk to attend the United County Officer's Association Mid-Winter Conference.

—Approved payment to the Road Commission for field work done on North Shore Drive in the amount of \$634.73 from the Drain Commission Account.

—Approved payment of \$633 for Comm. Millikin to attend Drain Commissioners Training School.

—Authorized a new survey for footings on the jail project in the amount of \$300.

—Requested the Prosecutor to contact Manatron and New World regarding the computer system in Equalization and withhold payment until the system is up and running.

—Allowed Probate Court Juvenile Officer to move into an office located next to the Probate Court Room.

—Approved payment to Don Hewson for October and November under the Community Corrections Grant in the amount of \$1,531.46.

—Amended the agenda to receive information on a Self Funded Health Insurance Program.

—Appointed Bruce Schroeder to the Crawford County Dept. of Social Services Board.

—Appointed John Alef II to the Crawford County Housing Rehabilitation & Community Development Commission.

—Appointed Roy Spangler to the Crawford County Public Housing Authority.

—Increased the fees for copies of recorded documents from the Register of Deeds Office to \$1.50 starting 2-1-94 and to \$2 per page starting 7-1-94.

—Adopted a resolution for Gaming Licenses through the Michigan Lottery recognizing the G.H.S. Project Graduation as a nonprofit organization operating in the community for the purpose of obtaining a gaming license.

—Adjourned meeting at 11:50 a.m.

Full text of official minutes are on file in the Clerk's Office.

Elizabeth H. Wieland-County Clerk



GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Grayling Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 22, 1994, beginning at 7 pm, in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way, (M-72 West), Grayling, to receive and review public comment regarding the following request:

Case #94-1: Wm. Rutter, et al, petitioners.
Property Code: 20 - 042 - 014 - 007 - 020 - 00
Location: M-93 South. Part of Section 14, T26N, R4W. 77.07 acres.

A request to re-zone from (DD) Deferred Development to (R2) Residential.

Case file and zoning ordinance may be viewed at the Grayling Township Office during regular business hours.

Correspondence concerning the request may be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. Phone (517) 348-4361.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

REGISTRATION NOTICE

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SPECIAL STATE ELECTION TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 1994

PROPOSAL A

A PROPOSAL TO INCREASE THE STATE SALES AND USE TAX RATES FROM 4% TO 6%, LIMIT ANNUAL INCREASES IN PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS, EXEMPT SCHOOL OPERATING MILLAGES FROM UNIFORM TAXATION REQUIREMENT AND REQUIRE 3/4 VOTE OF LEGISLATURE TO EXCEED STATUTORILY ESTABLISHED SCHOOL OPERATING MILLAGE RATES

The proposed constitutional amendment would:

- 1) Limit annual assessment increase for each property parcel to 5% or inflation rate, whichever is less. When property is sold or transferred, adjust assessment to current value.
- 2) Increase the sales/use tax. Dedicate additional revenue to schools.
- 3) Exempt school operating millages from uniform taxation requirement.
- 4) Require 3/4 vote of legislature to exceed school operating millage rates.
- 5) Activate laws raising additional school revenues through taxation including partial restoration of property tax.
- 6) Nullify alternative laws raising school revenues through taxation including an increase in income tax, personal tax exemption increase and partial restoration of property taxes.

Should this proposal be adopted?

Yes ☐

No ☐

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To The Qualified Electors:

OF THE SEVERAL TOWNSHIPS AND CITY OF GRAYLING
IN THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD, STATE OF MICHIGAN

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I WILL BE AT MY OFFICE:
DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS

Monday, Feb. 14, 1994 -- Last Day

FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING APPLICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION
OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS IN SAID TOWNSHIP OR CITY.

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LOCATION OF REGISTERING TO VOTE:
Sharon Hartman, Clerk, Beaver Creek Twp. -- At Town Hall -- 275-8878
Nancy Bindschatel, Clerk, Frederic Twp. -- At Town Hall -- 348-8778
Monica Ashton, Clerk, Grayling Twp. -- In Twp. Office -- 348-4361
Cheryl Hopp, Clerk, Lovells Twp. -- At Town Hall -- 348-9215
Susan Keene, Clerk, Maple Forest Twp. -- At Home -- 348-9801
Mary Mollon, Clerk, South Branch Twp. -- At Town Hall -- 275-8232
Jerry Morford, Clerk, City of Grayling -- In City Office -- 348-2131

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AUSABLE RIVER ACRES North Branch at Mainstream. Excellent river view. Four acreage parcels. Electric. Very private. Terms. Call Hal, broker, 348-5965. 12/2/93tf/1

1. Real Estate

HERB AND VEGETABLE FARM for sale. Three bedroom home and guest cottage on six acres. 30' x 40' garage, large work shop, hardwood floors. Paved road near Frederic. Hal, broker, 348-5965. 12/23/93tf/1

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1. Real Estate

AUSABLE MAINSTREAM AREA Two bedrooms, winterized, 12 ft. x 60 ft. Secluded acreage near the Holy Water, below Stephan Bridge. \$24,500. Hal, broker, 348-5965. 8/12/93tf/1

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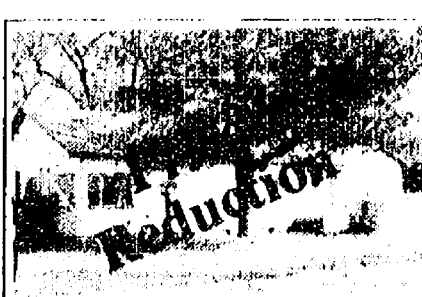
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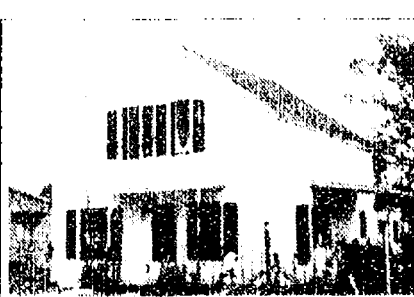
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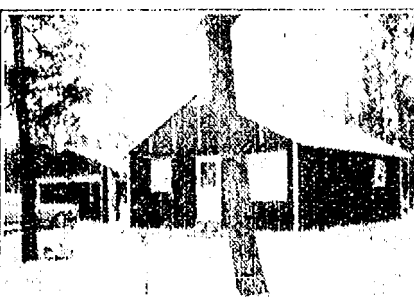
NEAR MIDDLE SCHOOL - Remodeled three bedroom home, bath, new windows, energy efficient furnace, knotty pine accenting and much more. **\$47,500.** (JW-28)



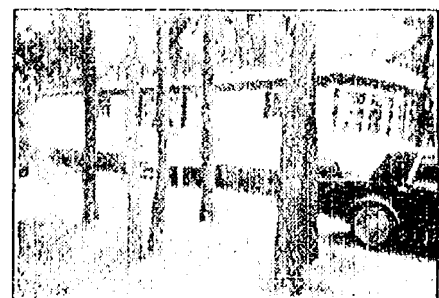
NEED MORE SPACE? - Four bedrooms, two baths, one nursery or den, 2,300+ sq. ft. Extensive remodeling, breakfast nook, formal dining room, hardwood floors, basement and garage. Was listed at \$57,500. Now **\$49,900.** (NN-574)



HOME ON 2 1/2 ACRES - Two bedrooms, living room, kitchen, full bath, completely furnished, adjoins Pere Marquette State Forest. **\$30,000.** (JC-1)



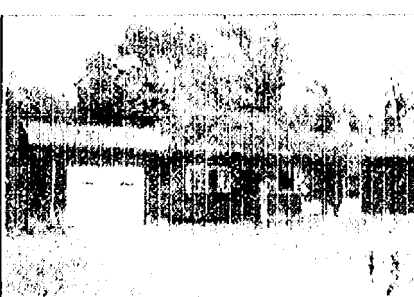
CLOSE TO AUSABLE RIVER - Two bedroom home w/gas and wood heat. Two car garage w/16 x 20 cement approach, 3 1/2 acres, close to state land. **\$19,900.** (LM-831)



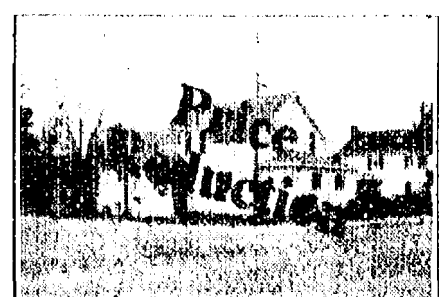
REASONABLY PRICED MOBILE HOME - Blacktop road, natural gas, cable TV, land contract terms. **\$14,900.** (MH-3)



COMMERCIAL RENTAL PROPERTY - Half log building, four bedrooms, two baths, efficiency apartment, beautiful pines, fronts on blacktop road. Price reduced to **\$26,500.** (N-488)



HOME ON APPROXIMATELY TWO ACRES - Two bedrooms, one bath, living room, dining room (garage needs some work for a great family room). Year round home with forced air furnace and auxiliary space heater. **\$34,900.** (MC-445)



COMMERCIAL WITH LIVING QUARTERS - Four bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, partial basement, new garage. Good highway exposure. Reduced to **\$34,500.** (N-525)

Other Area Properties & Acreage

LAKE ACCESS LOTS TO LAKE MARGARETHE - 15 lots (nice building site) walking distance to lake. Land contract terms. **\$1,500.** (N-341)

11N ACRES - Near Lovells, vacant, prime hunting, snowmobiling and fishing area, land contract terms. **\$7,500.** (MH-8)

AUSABLE RIVER - Vacant 10.185 acres, well wooded, excellent building site, secluded. **\$15,900.** (MC-288)

AUSABLE RIVER - Mainstream near Grayling, 200' frontage, two bedroom home with lots of decking and 10 x 12 storage. Excellent wading area, reduced to **\$69,900.** (LM-824)

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THREE BEDROOM, IN TOWN GRAYLING 1 1/2 car garage, fenced yard, \$43,000. No realtors. 348-6844. 13-20-27-3/1

LAKE LIVING for an affordable price. One block from Lake Margarethe, \$45,900. 348-4641. -27-3/1

WANTED: RIVER PROPERTY Homes-cabins-acreage. If you know of someone who wants to sell-buy please call Hal, broker, 348-5965. 4/22/93tf/1

BY OWNER Seven rooms, natural gas, woodstove, dishwasher, oak cabinets, spacious deck, new roof, two car plus garage, approximately 2,000 square feet, 175 square foot lot in Sherwood Forest. Relocating and asking \$71,000. 3480-6229. -3/10/1

NEW HOME Three bedroom, two bath ranch. Full fireplace, door wall, sky lights, deluxe refrigerator, stove, dishwasher, disposal, carpeting, cathedral ceilings, 2 x 6 exterior walls, 1,200 square feet, Jones Lake Road area. \$58,500. Owner, 348-2249. 1/6/94tf/1

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#3360 RANCH STYLE HOME ON FIVE ACRES offers elegance in its 1,556 sq. ft. of living space which features a slate foyer, alcove windows, full, finished basement with a 1/2 bath and much more! **\$89,000.**

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8. Announcements

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed Proposals are requested for the remodeling and renovation of the Administration Building of the Kirtland Community College according to Bid Documents dated February 1, 1994, prepared by Donald E. Morgridge, Architect, P.C., 215 South Court Street, Gaylord, Michigan, 49735, Telephone 517/732-6218.

A single proposal will be received until 2 pm, February 22, 1994, at the office of Dr. Dorothy N. Franke, Ph.D., President, Kirtland Community College, 10775 North Saint Helen Road, Roscommon, Michigan 48653. A public bid opening will be held at 2 pm at the Kirtland Community College President's Board Room in the Administration Building. Questions regarding bid receipt of bid opening location may be directed to Michael Wahl, Director of Institutional Services.

A Pre-Bid walk-thru will be held Tuesday, February 15, 1994, at 10 am in the Administration building. This walk-thru is not mandatory for General Contractors submitting bids for this project; however, the walk-thru will be beneficial to those who attend. Contractors should schedule their day to allow for most field verification work to be done following the walk-thru.

Each bidder is invited to submit a single proposal for all parts of the work. All proposals shall include labor and materials.

8. Announcements

CRAWFORD-ROSCOMMON SOIL & WATER Conservation District open house, annual meeting, Wednesday, Feb. 2nd, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., 409 Lake St., Roscommon. Meet the staff. Photo contest display and voting by public. Free sales. Education Information. Business meeting at 7 p.m. Any questions call 275-5231.
-27-3/8

UNITED WE STAND AMERICA organizational meeting Wednesday, Feb. 9, 1994, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Weatherly's Country House, Grayling.
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The games will take place at Sugar Loaf Mountain Resort in Cedar starting Feb. 8. More than 900 Special Olympics athletes will compete in speed and figure skating, downhill and cross-country skiing and snowshoeing during the three-day event. The Wertz Warriors ride into Sugar Loaf on Wednesday afternoon. When the machines roar in, the athletes rush to greet the riders and line up for snowmobile rides. Participating in the opening ceremony and giving these rides to the Special Olympians is the high point of the week for the Warriors.

"The Bird" was all-star pitcher with the Detroit Tigers during his phenomenal rookie 1976 season. Fans loved him and he drew records crowds, but his baseball career ended prematurely due to a severe shoulder injury.

Fidrych rode with the Wertz Warriors last year and will again ride a snowmobile this year with the Warriors. The Warriors leave Mt. Clemens Feb. 6, and stay overnight in Oscoda, Houghton Lake, Grayling, Traverse City, Gaylord and Alpena. The ride ends in Mackinaw City on Saturday, Feb. 12, where a check will be presented to Michigan Special Olympics.

Fundraisers are sponsored by the Wertz Warriors all year long and during the seven day ride, with stops at Moose lodges and VFW halls, church halls, motels and restaurant lounges.

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DART LEAGUE

Dart League Standings	
Sackner Well Drilling	17-1
Quick Points	16-2
Jim's Angles	10-8
M & M's	7-11
Dart Demons	2-16
Hot Shots	2-16

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BOWLING LEAGUE

Recreation League		Lone Pine	12.5
Mac's Drugs	13-7	Glen's Market	9
Glen's Market	12.5-7.5	AuSable Construction	8
Mickey Perez	12-8	Pittcrew	7
AJD	10-10	Candoit Services	4
Peterson Saw	9.5-10.5	High Game: B. DeHart, 188, S. Romain, D.	
Cornell Real Estate	9-11	Buccilli, 185, B. Walker, 180. High Series: D.	
Scheer Motors	9-11	Buccilli, 477, T. Papendick, 468, B. Walker,	
Fast Impression Sportswear	5-15	466.	

Senior Citizens Bowling League		Buccilli's Pizza	48-32
Sunday Nite Mixed Doubles		Cornell's Realty	44-36
Computer Services Co.	14-6	Weaver's Gifts	44-36
Sutiles	13-7	Sylvester's Sports	40-40
All Seasons Drywall	11-9	Century 21	39-41
Odd Balls	11-9	Totten's Body Shop	38-42
Robideau Const. #1	9-11	Larry & Joan's Place	36-44
Robideau Const. #2	8-12	Flowers by Josie	31-49
Mac's Drugs	8-12	Men's High Game: B. Burrick, 218, C.	
R & R Auto Sales	6-14	Babbitt, 187, G. Miller, 186. Men's High Series:	
Men's High Game: T. Rondeau, 205, W.		B. Burrick, 592, G. Miller, 510, D. Germain,	
Fedewa, 194, R. Adkison, 190. Men's High		502.	
Series: T. Rondeau, 534, W. Fedewa, 509, R.		Women's High Game: S. Webb, 164, D.	
Adkison, 503.		Hall, 161, E. VanDeCastele, 160. Women's	
Women's High Game: M. Miller, 189, C.		High Series: D. Mead, 458, D. Burrick, 441, E.	
Rakoczy, 182, J. Hinds, 181. Women's High		Hulbert, 427.	
Series: J. Hinds, 517, M. Miller, 507, M.			
Hawkins, 483.			

Pioneer League		American 2nd Division	
Aunt Betty's	15-5	Swamp II	26-2
Avalanche	14-6	Skip's	22-6
Custom Interior	11-9	McLean's	14-14
Millikins	10.5-9.5	Glen's	14-14
Eagles Auxiliary	9-11	Upper Lakes	13-15
Chemical Bank	8-12	Stitches by Sue	8-20
CCCTA	7-13	Northland Appliance	7-21
Mercy Hospital	5.5-14.5	Auto Value	5-23
High Game: J. Hinds, 215, Y. Schreiber,		High Game: L. Davis, Jr., M. Keir, 222, M.	
204, C. Jones, 190. High Series: J. Hinds, 581,		Keir, 212, G. Fenton, T. Martin, 201. High	
Y. Schreiber, 527, N. Glasslee, 485.		Series: M. Keir, 590, D. Metzger, 559, G. Fenton,	
		543.	

Sunday Fun League		Saturday Morning Young American League	
MIOH Corp	18	Lucky Strikers	24-4
Old Kent Bank	14	High Rollers	19-9
Helsel's	12	Little Women	17-11
Milltown Carpet	12	Dusters	15-13
Lovells Hardware	12	Proditors	13-15
Legion Lanes	11	Terminators	11-17
Howe Construction	11	Peace Makers	8-20
Spikes	6	Stingers	5-23
Men's High Game: D. Canfield, E. Palmer,		Winners of gift certificates: Albies, J.	
200, D. Romain, 195. Men's High Series: D.		Armstrong; Hardee's, D. Mathey; Pizza Hut, S.	
Canfield, 567, J. Helsel, 530, E. Palmer, T.		See, Burger King, N. Sloan; Big Boy, S. Osborne;	
Messerschmidt, 503.		Subway, D. Rice; McDonald's, J. Besonen;	
Women's High Game: S. Romain, 196, D.		Buccilli's, J. Rice; A & W, C. Armstrong;	
Buccilli, 177, D. Royce, 172. Women's High		Wendy's, W. Davis; 7-Eleven, D. Stocker, Little	
Series: S. Romain, 529, D. Buccilli, 491, B.		Caesar's, T. J. Helsel.	
Helsel, 456.		Boys High Series: Jarrett Langowski, 433.	
		Boys High Game: Jarrett Langowski, 174. Girls	
		High Series: Debbie Harris, 441. Girls High	
		Game: Debbie Harris, 165.	

Thursday Morning Coffee League	
Spike's	14
Legion Lanes	13
Ole Dan	12.5

National League 1st	
Budweiser	12-4
G. P. Resin	11-5
Frederic Inn	10-6
Spikes	9-7
Northland Appliance	7-9
Sutiles	7-9
Carlisle Paddle	4-12
Bear's Country Inn	4-12
High Game: M. Harris, 225, 216, T. Kotrash,	
222, C. Golnick, 203. High Series: T. Kotrash,	
594, M. Harris, 585, M. Marks, 573.	

Triangle League	
CSI	13-3
Helsel Forest	12-4
Grayling Ford	11-5
Sylvesters	7.5-8.5
Barber Const.	6-10
Deb & Dale's	5-11
Jackson Trio	5-11
Go-Flo Painting	4.5-11.5
High Game: T. Sheldon, 189, D. Myers, 187,	
D. Henning, 187. High Series: D. Henning,	
553, B. Palmer, 508, J. Robideau, 496.	

Friday Night Mixed Doubles	
Deb & Dale's	17-7
Burger King	16-8
Aunt Betty's	13-11
Milltown Drywall	12.5-11.5
Schreibers	10-14
Wakley's	10-14
A.J.D.	9.5-14.5
North End Grocery	8-16
Men's High Game: B. Trudeau, 183, D.	
Wallace 182, M. Campbell, 181. Men's High	
Series: M. Campbell, 503, B. Trudeau, 489, R.	
Hinds, 461.	
Women's High Game: K. Lozon, 189, J.	
Hinds, 169, B. Lozon, 168. Women's High	
Series: J. Hinds, 488, K. Lozon, 470, K. Moshier,	
459.	



MODEL SEARCH CONTEST WINNER—Brandi McClain, daughter of David and Gayle McClain, won first place honors in the 12 years and under category in the Modeling Search Contest held at Sylvan Resort in Gaylord on Jan. 29. Brandi was also chosen third in overall competition which included young men and women ages five to 26. Brandi has been invited to attend the finals to be held in Toronto, Canada, on Mar. 6. The contest was sponsored by the Kross Talent Agency and various businesses in northern Michigan, including Grand Traverse Mall, Model's International and WKPK 106.7.

POOL LEAGUE

Women's Pool League January 24	
Plaza	113
Red Barn	86
Legion	83
Spikes	83
Swamp II	67

Men's Pool League January 24	
Swamp II	143-83
Weyerhaeuser	124-92
Frederic Inn	120-96
Plaza	103-113
Spikes	92-124
Red Barn	n/a
Holiday Inn	n/a

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Ski Conditions Report

Projected Weekend Ski Conditions

Cross Country Ski Shop

Average Base: 16 inches, trails 7" packed base. Surface Conditions: groomed, packed, double set track and skating lane. Skiing conditions are excellent with three loops, three miles open.
8/10 mile lighted loop 7 nights a week til 11 pm. No trail fee.
Store Hours: Monday through Friday 10 am to 6 pm, Saturday & Sunday 9 am to 6 pm. Lights on till 11 pm nightly. Last week for free skate-skiing lessons on Wednesday at 7 pm. Equipment rental available.

Hanson Hills Ski Area

Average Base: 24 to 38 inches. Surface Conditions: 70% machine groomed, 20% Hand Pack. All runs and lifts are open. Snow making is continuing.
Night skiing open Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday.
Cross Country: 35 kilometers of trails have been groomed for skiing from 9 am til dark. Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 5 to 9 pm, Saturday 11 am to 9 pm & Sunday 11 am to 5 pm.

Forbush Corner

Average Base: one to two feet of fresh snow in the woods with varied base with more expected by the weekend!
Surface Conditions: Superb packed snow on 4 trails - 36 kilometers of groomed trails for both skating and classical cross-country skiing.
Hours: Sunday through Thursday 10 am til dusk, Friday & Saturday 10 am to 8:30 pm. Night Trails open Fridays & Saturdays unless it's extremely cold. Call for specifics.

Skyline

Average Base: Up to 24 inches. Surface Conditions: packed powder groomed daily, 11 slopes open with 10 lifts in operation.
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